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## KOWLOON HUT CITY INCIDENT

### Defiant Squatters Battle With Police

## Jews Rob Barclay's Bank

Jerusalem, Jan. 12.  
Seven Jews, armed with tommyguns, held up Barclay's Bank in Tel-Aviv at noon today and escaped with about £12,000.

The bank is situated in Al-Bahy Street in the heart of Tel-Aviv.

The armed Jews, believed by the police to be Sternists or Irgunists were wearing masks. They collected all the cash they could find in the bank's safe without resistance.

Spontaneous shooting was reported throughout Palestine. Results of yesterday's violence raised the unofficial death toll to 688 persons.

It was officially announced that the Jist Banat Yacoub Bridge, located on the Haifa-Damascus highway between the Sea of Galilee and Lake Hula, which was dynamited last night in a Jewish defense manoeuvre, was passable to pedestrian traffic only today. It is being replaced by a temporary span for motor traffic. (United Press and Associated Press.)

## EX-KING'S AIDE

DECLARES

## Michael Will Not Meet Anne

Lausanne, Jan. 12.  
Major Jacques Vergotti, aide to ex-King Michael of Rumania, today denied the reports that Princess Anne of Bourbon-Parma, would meet King Michael in France.

He said that the King has no plans for leaving Switzerland to meet the Princess.

Circles close to the King believed that a meeting between Michael and Anne would not take place this week.

The last members of the Rumanian royal family to leave Bucharest are expected to reach Lausanne on the Airberg express late tomorrow night. (Reuter.)

## THREE MISSIONARIES SLAIN NEAR HANKOW

Nanking, Jan. 12.  
Two American women missionaries and one Finnish missionary were slain by "bandits" north-west of Hankow. An attempt is being made to rescue 16 others in the same area, according to a message received by the U.S. Embassy in Nanking today.

The message was sent by Edward Nelson from the Covenant Mission in Sianyang, 188 miles north-west of Hankow.

He said that three missionaries belonging to the Evangelical Mission of the Covenant Church, whose headquarters is at Belmont Avenue, Chicago, were killed by "bandits" on January 7 between Sianyang and Kingmen, 76 miles south of Sianyang.

The dead are: Ester Victor Nordlund, of Chicago; Martha Anderson, of Minneapolis; and Dr. Alexis Bergler, a Finn, whose wife Signe is now in Helsinki.

Nelson said an attempt was being made to evacuate 12 other Americans from Sianyang by air and eight more at Kingchow (on the Yangtze River) by ship "if possible."

The Embassy here had no further details about the incident nor of the progress made in evacuating the remaining Americans. No American planes have been dispatched to the scene.

The Embassy spokesman said he presumed the Covenant Mission had chartered a commercial plane to carry out the evacuation.

The area is right in the middle of the Yangtze Valley region where one-eyed Communist General Lin Po-chien is active.

The message from Nelson, however, characterized the murderers as "bandits" and did not mention the "Communists."

## Teargas Finally Ends Rioting

Violence flared up yesterday in Kowloon City when squatters, resisting Police action to remove re-erected structures, hurled stone and bricks at the Police.

Six villagers — four men and two women — have been admitted to hospital. They are allegedly suffering from bullet wounds and the effects of tear-smoke, a few bombs of which the police used to disperse the defiant squatters.

The Police suffered one casualty. Sub-Inspector Channing was treated for an injury to the nose. The tear-gas bombs used brought the situation under control. Those involved in illegally erecting structures retreated to the top of a neighbouring hill and looked on while the police pulled down the huts.

### Statement

An official statement by a Government spokesman yesterday said it was necessary to take further police action in regard to the Kowloon City squatters.

The statement added: "It will be recalled that on Nov. 27 last the squatters were given notice to remove. On their non-compliance a Magistrate's order for eviction was obtained."

"After several additional warnings and repeated offers of free alternative sites the Kowloon City squatters' huts were compulsorily dismantled on Jan. 5."

"Since then, in defiance of the Magistrate's order, a number of these illegal structures have been re-erected on the former sites."

"Police action taken this morning to remove them was met by resistance. A Police party numbering 150 strong, under Acting Police Commissioner W. B. Sparrow, assembled at Hung Hom Police Station at about 6.30 a.m. yesterday."

Arriving at the "East Gate" of the "Walled City," the Police party was met with a fusillade of stones hurled by approximately 100 of the squatters assembled at the end of a narrow alley leading from Carpenter Road to the "Walled City."

A number of constables from Kowloon City, who formed the advanced guard, were hit on the arms and bodies with the stones.

Acting Police Commissioner Sparrow, DPC Callaghan, and Mr. Heath made every effort to "quieten the mob." Their advice to disperse was met by derisive shouts and cries of "Drive them out."

Baton charges were resisted by the mob who continued to hurl stones, bricks, and anything they could lay their hands on.

Children and women assisted the resisters by acting as the pickers-up of missiles.

Finding their warnings unheeded, the Police were forced to open fire with revolvers. The crowd dispersed but re-gathered when the Police advanced.

### Teargas

Tear-gas bombs were then used by the authorities. After the incident, there were in hospital:—

Leung Chong, 24, male, wounded in the abdomen and right hand; Suen Yat, 48, male, hit on the right thigh; Cheung Chung-mo, 28, male, with slight gunshot wound on the left side of his head; Cheung Ping-lam, 23, male, wounded in the abdomen and hand; Lai Fong-ying, 36, female, hit on the left hand; and Lau Sam-mui, 27, struck on the knee.

Seven tear-gas bombs were used. The effect was such that a number of Police constables, detectives, and newspaper men were weeping copiously before they had a chance of getting out of the danger zone.

The sheds were demolished and building materials removed by the Public Works Department in force. During the work of demolition, the Police kept the crowd on the move.

### Defiance

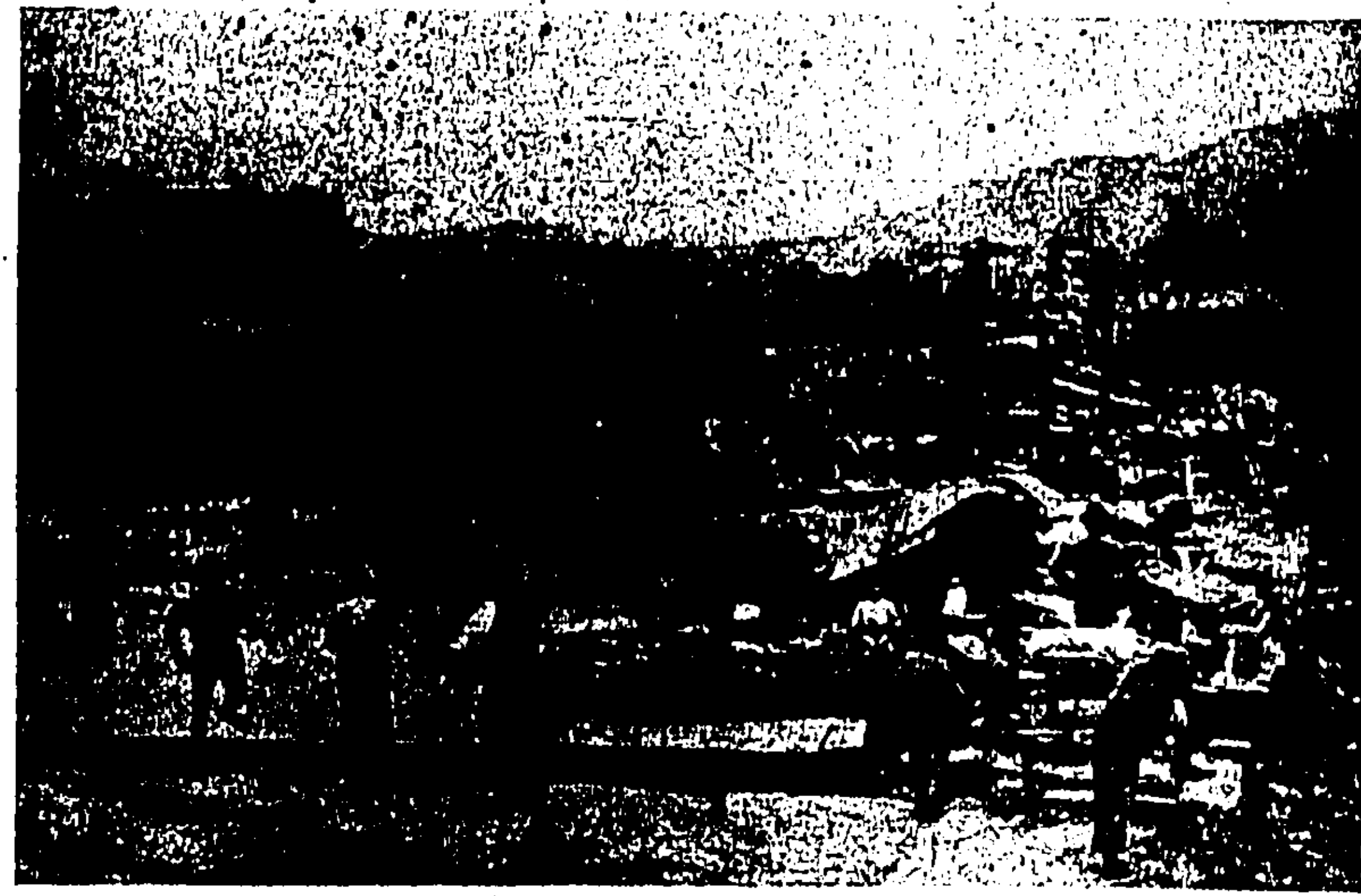
Seen by the "China Mail" in the afternoon, Lau Chi-leung, a member of the "Committee of the Kowloon Walled City Residents' Association," declared that they would remain on the site until "orders to quit" had been received from the Chinese Government.

Giving his version, Lau said that they were informed at 6.30 a.m. that the Police would be moving in to demolish the buildings.

He said that when the Police arrived they were advised it was the intention of the inhabitants to resist.

When the Police proceeded, continued Lau, the crowd took action. The Police later opened fire but his people continued to resist.

"It was then, he declared, that tear-gas bombs were used."



Here is a glimpse of Kowloon Walled City area shortly after yesterday's clash between squatters and police. Police forces can be seen in the background. In the foreground are some of the demolished huts.—"China Mail" Photo.

## Aid Plans Taking Shape

London, Jan. 12.  
Britain and France will open talks in London tomorrow on reconvening of the Paris economic conference of 16 European nations on United States aid under the Marshall Plan.

M. Herve Alphand, Director of Economic Affairs in the French Foreign Office, and M. Jean Bonnet, France's chief economic planner, are scheduled to arrive from Paris today for talks.

The advisability of reopening of the 16-nation conference and widening its scope will be the main topic of the conference which is also to discuss the merits of forming what is termed a "continuing information and consultative organisation."

The discussions are also expected to deal with the possibilities and prospects of Anglo-French economic unity prior to the Brussels meeting at the end of this month between the Western European Customs Union study group. — United Press.

## BANDITS PUT HANDCUFFS ON HIM

Cheung Yung-kun (39), residing at 281 Reclamation Street, second floor, was not only held up but also handcuffed by two men as he was going down the stairs of his house at 6.30 a.m. yesterday.

According to Cheung, he was going down the stairs when he was met by two men on the first floor landing.

One of them pointed a gun at him and, producing a pair of handcuffs, handcuffed him to the iron grille of that floor.

The unarmed man searched him and took away \$680 in cash and his 14kt. Movado wristwatch.

## H.K. Issues Warning To Chinese 'Democrats'

The China Democratic League and the newly set up "Kuomintang Revolutionary Committee" have been warned by the Hong Kong authorities not to issue any public statements which may impair relations between Britain and China.

"The China Mail" learned from Chinese political sources last night. Meanwhile, a split in the ranks of the China Democratic League has disrupted the League's Third Plenary Session in Hong Kong and caused the session to be postponed indefinitely.

These sources disclosed that the "explosion" occurred during a discussion of the League's policy of action for a more radical programme.

Conservative elements, it was alleged, accused the Communist elements of wanting to put the League under the control of the Communist Party. As a result, the session was postponed.

The Third Plenary Session of the China Democratic League, which was opened in Hong Kong last night, was to have ended today.

## After The Struggle Huts Come Down Again In Kowloon Walled City

## Hong Kong-China Anti-Smuggling Pact Signed

Nanking, Jan. 12.  
A Sino-British agreement for the prevention of smuggling between Chinese ports and Hong Kong was reached today through an exchange of notes in Nanking between the Chinese Foreign Minister, Mr. Wang Shih-chieh, and the British Ambassador, Sir Ralph Stevenson, it was officially announced.

The agreement, which comes into effect on January 20, contains the following main provisions:

(1) The Government of Hongkong will restrict the loading of vessels to China according to their net registered tonnage to certain designated centres, so that the Chinese Maritime Customs shall have liberty to check and inspect the loading of cargoes.

(2) The Chinese Customs shall be at liberty to establish within the territory of Hongkong inspection centres and maintain there a number of Customs staff for the purpose of collecting or assessing in advance the Chinese Customs duty on dutiable commodities about to be exported to China.

(3) The Government of Hongkong will instruct the Harbour Master of Hongkong to refuse the clearance of vessels from Hongkong to any port in China except those ports to be agreed between the Chinese Customs and the Harbour Master. Where sufficient evidence is forthcoming that vessels, which were cleared from Hongkong for a port in China, failed without sufficient justification to proceed to that port, proceeds for a penalty will be instituted when such vessels return to Hongkong.

(4) The Chinese Customs is granted the liberty to enter designated areas in Hongkong waters of Deep Bay and Mui Bay for the purpose of carrying out patrol and examination duties. The Government of Hongkong, on the other hand, will undertake to prohibit the entry into these areas of any cargo-carrying vessel which has not been duly cleared from Hongkong.

(5) The Government of Hongkong will undertake to restrict the export of goods from Hongkong to China across the north land frontier at designated points and at any other points.

(6) The Chinese Customs and Superintendent of Import and Exports at Hongkong will each of them supply to the other any information which might be of assistance to the other in the prevention and detection of smuggling activities between Chinese ports and Hong Kong. — Reuter-AAP.

## Princess And Philip Return To London

London, Jan. 12.  
Princess Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh, will return to London tomorrow from Sandringham, where they have been staying with the King and Queen.

They will be in residence for the time being at Buckingham Palace.

The Duke will resume his duties at the Admiralty to which he was posted after the Royal Wedding. — Reuter.

## The Weather

Weak anti-cyclone over China and the Sea of Japan. The northern depression is moving into the Pacific to the east of Hokkaido and deepening.

Another depression is developing over the Lap Chooes and will move east-north-east.

The tropical depression is centred about 200 miles south-west of Guam moving west-north-west.

Forecast: — Light, variable winds freshening later from north-west, cloudy with morning mist or haze warmer at first becoming cooler.

Yesterday's Weather:  
Maximum: 74.8 deg. F.  
Minimum: 62.8 deg. F.  
Sunshine: 2.8 hours.  
Rainfall: Nil. Total since Jan. 1: Nil.  
Sea: as stated at arrival of 12.5 mm. on 12th Jan.

Readings at:  
10 A.M. 10.4 A.M. 4 P.M. 7 P.M.  
Bar. 30.0 30.0 30.0 30.0  
Wind. 10.0 10.0 10.0 10.0  
Temp. 68.0 68.0 68.0 68.0  
Humidity 70 70 70 70  
Wet. 68.0 68.0 68.0 68.0  
Wind. 10.0 10.0 10.0 10.0

## Truman Hands Congress Heavy Budget

Washington, Jan. 12.  
A warning that the United States would have to rearm, "if Europe succumbs to totalitarian rule", was uttered today by President Truman when he presented Congress with a \$39,700 million budget for the fiscal year of 1948-1949.

He said that he was counting on spending \$7,000 million for aid to foreign countries and for the conduct of the United States foreign policy during the year.

This included the largest foreign aid expenditure in the peacetime history of the United States, and constituted 18 per cent of the total budget expenditure for the fiscal year (July, 1948, to June, 1949).

President Truman emphasised the budgetary implications of failure to achieve economic recovery in Europe and other crucial areas.

He said: "Should failure of these programmes result in a further extension of totalitarian rule, we would have to re-examine our security position and take whatever steps might be necessary under the circumstances."

"The costs of added military strength, if Europe should succumb to totalitarian rule, would far exceed the costs of the programme of economic aid now before Congress."

The President assumed that Congress would appropriate \$6,800 million for the European recovery programme for the 15 months from April, 1948, to June, 1949, but his message allowed only actual expenditure up to June, 1949, of \$4,500 million since many bills for goods contracted under the aid programme would not be paid until after the end of the fiscal year.

**Aid To China**  
The budget includes aid to China and other non-European countries, possibly foreshadowing a Marshall Plan for the Far East.

At the end of the conference, M. Bollaert and the Emperor's spokesman said that the talks would continue for some days, probably until the end of the week.

Both parties declined to offer any information about the French proposals, but M. Bollaert said that he had "good hopes of an agreement being reached."

The conference today was attended by Captain N.G. Wantha, a member of the Cabinet of General Xuyan, President of the Cochinchina Government, and Dr. Hoi Tan, representative of the various political groups in Indo-China, both recently arrived from Indo-China. — Reuter.

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# NO BAIL IN K'LOON CITY CASE Defence Objections Over-Ruled

Braved Harbour Twice To Avoid Police

Eighteen-year-old hawker Leung Hing twice braved the icy cold waters of the harbour rather than face police arrest.

Seeing himself cornered after escaping arrest for obstruction, Leung jumped into the harbour, boarded a ferry, and was getting underway but was re-arrested by police.

Inspector Moran said that defendant, who was charged with obstruction, hawking without a license and escaping police custody, ran away as the police truck was en route to the GPO.

This was the second time he had jumped in the harbour when arrested, Inspector Moran said.

Defendant was remanded to Jan. 14, pending further investigation.

## Hainan War Crimes Trial

## SECRET DIARY READ

Continuing his evidence read from a secret diary, Captain C. F. Newnham, Adjutant of Hainan POW Camp, told the No. 1 Australian War Crimes Court yesterday that 81 Australians and as many Dutch POWs died in camp.

The Court, consisting of Lt. Col. H. G. Quinn, DSO, ED (President) with Major N. McCleod and Lt. R. Carter as members and Lt. Col. J. T. Brock as Judge Advocate, adjourned proceedings to today after Captain Newnham was briefly cross-examined by defence Counsel Isaac Inoue, on the medical condition of the POWs.

Witness also said that he had seen some Australian POWs in military hospital in Australia.

Lt. C. McCutcheon, a prisoner (2/21 Batt., Australian Army) will go into the stand today, to be followed by Cpl A. Pledger (of the same battalion).

Dr. Dawson-Grove will give expert medical evidence after the two former prisoners.

## EUROPEANS DESCRIBE BANDIT HOLD-UP

That they were tied up by four armed men was stated in evidence at Central Magistracy yesterday by R. Carter and Miss C. E. Parker.

They were giving evidence against Chan Kwong, Leung Fong, Lau Shun and Lau Wah, charged on two counts of armed robbery at Jardine's Hill on Nov. 23, conspiracy to rob the occupants of 12 Bowring Road, and assault with intent to rob Joseph Choy, draftsman of Jaffe Road.

C. W. Crozier and J. D. Crozier also gave evidence of being held up and robbed at Gap Road with their wives and children.

Mr. Carter said that he and his companion were forced into a dilapidated pill-box, which contained a Chinese couple tied back to back.

After robbing them the robbers tied them up.

Later they freed themselves. Small balls of gold were produced in court as exhibits.

## THE WHISKERS CLUB



Mr. Owl had exhibited his plan for robbing the bank. Whisker volunteered to act off with Snow the Crow, who was disguised as Roger.

By the time the moon rose, Whisker and Snow had reached a spot from which they could see Roger's stronghold, where Whisker himself had once been a prisoner.

## BABE RUTH GOES INTO HOSPITAL

New York, Jan. 12. Baseball's immortal Babe Ruth has entered a neurological hospital for a check up.

Last year he was seriously ill from a major operation on a throat artery to relieve blood pressure on his sinus.

However, a hospital spokesman said Ruth registered "for observation only."—United Press.

A request for a week's adjournment and bail for the accused by Mr. Peter H. Sin was refused by Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday when the case in which Chu Pui-tong (32), farmer, and Lau Ngai-fu (27), partner, of the Hop Hing Knitting Factory, are charged with incitement, was called.

## H.K. VARSITY ASSOCIATION DINNER

London, Jan. 12. The Hong Kong University Alumni Association in the United Kingdom held its annual dinner at London's United Nations Club when many generations of students were represented.

Professor Brown, for 31 years professor of the University, came from Scotland to attend the meeting. Guests and old inhabitants of Hong Kong were also present.

The Secretary, Mr. O. V. Cheung, read the annual report and reviewed outstanding academic successes for the year. In all 20 students have gained some new academic qualifications this year.

Dr. G. K. Lim, the Chairman, made an appeal to the British Government to give aid to Hong Kong University whose revival, he said, was progressing very slowly.

## Tribute To The Late Sub-Ins. Tate

Before the Marine Court sat yesterday the Magistrate, Mr. N. Garland, referred to the death of Sunday of Sub-Inspector Tate, who had for the past six months acted as Police Prosecutor.

Inspector Tate had always performed his duties with great understanding and fairness, said Mr. Garland, and in behalf of the Court he offered most sincere sympathy to Mrs. Tate, the Commissioner of Police and the deceased's bi-ther officers.

Sub-Inspector Haynes took over the office of Police Prosecutor yesterday.

Five men, employees of boarding houses, were convicted of unlawfully boarding the s.s. "Heli-kon" on Sunday and were each fined \$150 or six weeks in default.

Three junkmasters, pleading guilty to lying in wait at night, were fined \$30 each, or 10 days in default.

It is the contention of the Crown, represented by Assistant Director of Criminal Intelligence L.R. Whant, that both accused incited some persons in Kowloon Walled City to resist Mr. H.V.E. Heath (Commanding Officer, Kowloon & New Territories) and other Police officers in the execution of their duty on Jan. 5.

In applying for the adjournment and bail, Mr. Sin submitted that there was possibly a very good defence to the present charge in that it was possible that the Court had no jurisdiction as the land concerned might not belong to the Colony of Hong Kong but to the Chinese Government.

## Needed Time

He said that he had read various documents handed to him when he was instructed to appear for both defendants.

He would need time to study these documents as they were difficult to construe.

ADCI Whant opposed bail. He informed the Court that further disturbances had taken place in Kowloon City in the morning.

He added that the Police were opposed to such a long adjournment and that the prosecuting officer submitted that the question of jurisdiction was irrelevant to the proceedings.

## Questioned

Magistrate Blair-Kerr asked defence counsel why the question of jurisdiction was not raised by way of an appeal at the time the Court's original conviction order was issued.

In reply, Mr. Sin submitted that the people concerned were ignorant people and no might have been unaware of the proper procedure to adopt.

Defence counsel further pointed out that the disturbances of the morning could not be attributed to his clients as they were, at the time, in custody.

The Magistrate said that he could not see at the moment how the question of jurisdiction could be raised in the present proceedings when they were not originally raised.

Mr. Whant informed the Court that Crown Counsel would prosecute when the case is heard.

Mr. Blair-Kerr refused bail and fixed hearing for 2.15 p.m. today. Both accused were remanded in gaol custody.

## SEAPLANE TENDER ARRIVES TODAY

The U.S. Seaplane Tender "Pine Island" (Captain W. O. Burch, Jr.) carrying four twin-engine seaplanes is due to arrive in Hong Kong early this morning. Embarked on her is Rear-Admiral R. P. McConnell, Commander Task Force 76.

Although the visit is of an informal nature the "Pine Island" will fire the National Salute which will be acknowledged by H.M.S. "Sussex."

She will leave Hong Kong on Saturday, Jan. 17.

## BIRTHDAY NEARLY ENDED FATALITY

A birthday party at No. 69 Kimberley Road nearly ended in a tragedy yesterday at 3.45 p.m.

Henry Tong (25) of No. 138 Wanchai Road, who apparently had one drink too many, drank a small quantity of disinfectant.

He was immediately taken to the Kowloon Hospital.

His condition was reported to be good.

## H.K. CHINESE TRAINING UNIT

All personnel who have registered for the Hong Kong Chinese training unit will receive a letter telling them when and where to report for interview. Under no circumstances will personnel be interviewed unless in possession of this letter.

## REMOVAL

A. D. Claims & Hirings—Disposals (Fixed Assets and Pre-Occupation (Arms) Claims are removing from Hong Kong & Shanghai Bank Building and on and after Jan. 20 will be located at Old Ordinance Depot, Queen's Road, East.

## Crash At Kunming



One of the 30 Catholic missionaries who escaped when a chartered Belgian airliner crashed near Kunming, looks over the wrecked plane.

The pilot of the plane was killed. The aircraft, a Short Sterling, was chartered from the Belgian airline to fly missionaries back to their old posts, in China, the Philippines and Japan.—A Photo.

## ODD SPOTS IN THE NEWS

### MARIE CELESTE?

Mexico City, Jan. 12. The Navy Ministry is baffled by reports from Campeche to-day that the survivors of the sunk Honduran ship "El Carolina" refused rescue.

The ship's hull was located in waters off the port of Carmen several days ago but, according to the Captain of the Port, the survivors of the wreck disappeared.

What mystified the local authorities most was a report from the motorship "Elena," saying a lifeboat from the sunk vessel had been sighted but its occupants refused to be taken aboard. The lifeboat has not been seen since.—United Press.

### FLYING SHOWROOM

Miami Beach, Florida, Jan. 12. The start of a projected flight of 10 businessmen aboard a "flying showroom" on a 45,000-mile trip around the world has been postponed until Tuesday.

The flight originally was scheduled to start on Monday but a spokesman for the group said that, due to unsettled weather, the plane would not take off until Tuesday for San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Aboard the craft for display in 50 nations and many cities are batteries, automobile parts and accessories. The plane is owned by the Atlas Supply Company of Newark, New Jersey.

Countries to be visited include Brazil, South Africa, Egypt, India, Thailand, the Malay Peninsula, Dutch East Indies, Australia, Canton and Hawaii.—Associated Press.

### STALLS RAFFLED

Manila, Jan. 12. The raffling of 1,128 Chinese occupied market stalls declared vacant by the City Treasurer began to-day.

Representatives of Chinese Market Vendors' Association, who have resisted being ousted for more than a year, were denied injunction last week.

The raffle will determine which of the several thousand Filipino applicants will take the place of the Chinese.—Associated Press.

### LEATHERNECKS

Philadelphia, Jan. 12. Adml William F. Halsey, retired, hero of Pacific sea fighting, told a national Marine Day rally that on the new pages of American history, during the next year and the coming decade United States Marines would write the "most interesting footnotes."

On the same programme, Gen. Clifton B. Cates, Marine Corps Commandant, denied reports that the Marines will go to Palestine and said the assignment of some 1,000 Leathernecks to the Mediterranean did not mean the Corps is looking for trouble.—United Press.

### "KAREN"

Tokyo, Jan. 12. The army weather central wing reported today the tropical storm "Karen" with winds approaching 75 m.p.h., was swinging across the Pacific south-east of Guam at the rate of 10 m.p.h.

The weatherman predicted the storm will be located midway between Guam and Ulithi Island at 9 a.m. Tuesday.

The 3rd Weather Wing alerted Palau and sent out warnings to Guam, Saipan and Yap islands.—United Press.

### ATOMIC:

Canberra, Jan. 12. The Australian Cabinet today decided, after dealing with confidential documents from the British Ministry of Works on the effect of atomic bombs, to set up a Cabinet sub-committee to deal with civil defence against atomic bombs.

The decision was also taken to arrange for a group of senior officers with specialised knowledge to advise the sub-committee.

At the same time, it was decided to offer rewards ranging from \$1,000 upwards for the discovery in Australia of uranium—used in atom bomb production.—Reuter.

## Gold Bars Seized On Nine Ships

Gold bars and coins to a total value of \$233,000 were confiscated from 10 separate defendants by Mr. J. G. Conklin at Central Magistracy yesterday.

The gold had been seized on nine different ships and was being smuggled into the Colony without a permit.

Only one of the 10 defendants appeared in bail. Nine had bail ordered.

Leung Kan, 38, told, had gold worth \$45,000 on board the "Ying On." Bail of \$50 was ordered on failure to appear.

Leung Ming, 40, had \$30,000 worth of gold confiscated. Bail of \$50 was ordered. He was married woman, had bail of \$200 ordered. The gold was found in the "Hain Hong,"

## CHINA CUSTOMS POWERS DISPUTED

## Court Sequel To Export Of Car

A legal tug of war over breach of Chinese Customs regulations featured the hearing of a conspiracy charge, against A. R. Richards and S. W. Kan at Central Magistracy yesterday.

"Both defendants have suffered publicly and monetarily as a result of this trial, which will be a lesson not easily forgotten," Mr. F. X. d'Almada remarked when he discharged both defendants.

Richards, manager of the Triangular Trading Company, and Kan, were charged with conspiring together with others to effect a public mischief, namely to use a false set of documents to enable Car 2694 to be imported into China which was not permissible by Chinese Customs regulations.

P. A. L. Vinc, for the defence, argued that no crime had been committed in the Colony as far as the charge was concerned.

It was alleged that defendants committed a public mischief by conspiring to import a car into China.

It would be committed in China and the local court had no jurisdiction over Chinese Customs regulations as they were the laws of another state.

The Story

The prosecuting officer, Sub-Inspector T. Castman, pointing out that the affair started in the colony said it would be a public mischief if people were allowed to conspire and defraud the customs of a neighbouring state.

He gave evidence showing that the car, a new machine, was made to appear on paper to be second-hand, the only type allowed entry into China.

Mr. Vinc, pleading guilty, said in mitigation that defendants "are of excellent character and engaged in business."

Richards, he said, was a newcomer here, having been in the Colony only two months before the offence was committed.

He was not aware that he had committed an offence, not being well versed with Chinese Customs regulations.

## Personalia

The following forthcoming weddings have been announced: Dr. David Anthony Paulie, Revenue Officer, French Mission, Battery Road, to Miss Irene Edith Koslof, stenographer, 48 Hankow Road.

Mr. Reginaldo dos Remedios, stenographer, 26 Ashley Road, to Miss Cora Lizola Rocha, typist, 2 Ashley Road.

Peninsula Hotel arrivals: L.F. Stokes, Mr. and Mrs. T.H. R. Candlin, R.D. Ralls, A.O. Whitehouse and C.A. Phoenix.

Peninsula Departures N. A. Garrold, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Newton, Mrs. M.P. Landerville, Mr. and Mrs. N.J. Spath, Mr. and Mrs. H.A. Gregory, B.M. Platt, Mrs. F.M. Slater, Mr. and Mrs. R.L. Moore, R.G. Prior and H. Stone.

The following arrived yesterday by Hong Kong Airways plane from Canton: Messrs. W.G.B. Ream, Lee Bing-wang, Yong Chai-ming, A. Leong, Nial Dung-chia, Chia Ya-yun, Lai Kai-lung, Kwang Hung, Fong Chun-sum, Chang Chen, Chiu Yue, R.W. Olmstead, Lau Hok-kee and Kwok Fat; Mrs. J. Olmstead, Mrs. Lo Ng Wai-fong, Miss Sun Kuen, Miss Sun Ling and Miss D. Chen.

THURSDAY  
H.K. Women's International Club "At Home" to Lady Grantham, Gloucester Bldg., 4.30-5 p.m.

FRIDAY  
H.K. Engineering Society meeting, talk on "Air Conditioning" by Mr. S. E. Faber, Jacobson Room, H.K. Hotel, 6 p.m.

Coming Events

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## RUBBISH LED TO TROUBLE

Employees of three firms embroiled in a rubbish dispute on the evening of Jan. 6 met again at Central Magistracy yesterday when defendant Tseng Tin-yu, 22-year-old coolie of the ABC Cleaning Service, was cautioned and bound over in \$50 for 12 months.

PC Shun Chan-wah in evidence said that, while on duty at the junction of Pedder Street and Des Voeux Road, he heard a commotion and hurrying to the scene saw two Indians holding "Teng" who told him that the watchman had assaulted him.

Hardin Singh, watchman of Lane Crawford's, complainant, told the Court that when he told defendant not to throw rubbish into a Lane Crawford's dustbin Tseng abused him in Chinese, which he understood.

Shall All, watchman of the Gloucester Hotel, said that Singh ran behind him as Tseng threw a halfbroken brick at the form.

The brick hit him on the head, All said.

Tseng alleged that All held him from behind while Singh hit him with a torch.

## TENANCY TRIBUNAL

A Tenancy Tribunal, comprising the Hon. Mr. R. D. Gillespie (Chairman), Mrs. E. M. Holmes-Brown and Mr. D. J. Gilmore, yesterday fixed the rent of a cubicle at 44 Aberdeen Street, 1st floor, at \$27 a month as from May 1947, on an application by Leung Hung, sub-tenant of the premises.

Leung Hung claimed that the rent of the cubicle was now \$30 a month. He had previously paid \$20 a month, but this was increased to \$30 in June 1946.

Leung Lin-yau, principal tenant, said that she was paying \$68 a month for the premises and her total income was \$81.60 a month.

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## Shoeblack Couldn't Prove Story Of "Batoning"

"It is a very serious thing to accuse the Police of striking you and of then being unable to prove it," said Mr. W. H. Latimer to 17-year-old shoeblack Cheng Mun-chak who appeared on remand on the charge of causing an obstruction by loitering.

When the case was first heard on Saturday, Cheng alleged that he had been struck on the back of the head by PC 914 with a baton.

The Magistrate remanded the case for 48 hours for further investigation, to be made into the allegation, and to enable the mother of the boy to produce evidence in support of the charge.

Yesterday, Inspector J. Oram called Wang Tong, messboy of Wellington Barracks, as a witness for the prosecution.

Slipped

Wan declared that he saw Cheng running, chased by a Chinese constable.

The boy slipped and fell. The next time he saw Cheng was when the boy was in the custody of the constable.

At that time he noticed that Cheng was bleeding.

Witness said he assisted the constable in rendering first aid.

Cheng was warned by the Magistrate against making allegations against Police Officers.

He was cautioned and discharged on the original count.

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# P.M.G. OUTLINES NEW RADIO PLANS Commercial Service May Be Initiated

He had been asked by the Governor (Sir Alexander Grantham) to enquire into the desirability of introducing commercial programmes over ZBW and ZEK, said Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones, Postmaster-General, yesterday.

Pending the result of his findings, he added, he was unable to elaborate.

"The radio telephone services between Hong Kong and Manila and between Hong Kong and Canton have proved very popular," he said. "We hope to have a similar service with Macao, possibly before the end of the year," the P.M.G. added.

The link with Canton was on a high frequency circuit, capable of carrying eight channels simultaneously.

## Chopper Attack On Mother And Daughter

Alleged to have been chopped by a fork of the shop, Tam Ngan, 70-year-old mother of the owner of the Yu Ming Kee shop, of 407 Shanghai Street, and her 33-year-old daughter, Ng Oi-ying, were admitted to Kowloon Hospital yesterday in a critical condition.

It was alleged that the fork, Cheung Lok-chau, returned to the shop at midnight on Sunday and slept with Yu Pat, a nephew of the proprietor.

Cheung, it was stated, had been employed by the shop from January to May, and re-engaged in July.

At 5.30 a.m. yesterday, Yu Pat awoke to find Cheung missing, the back door opened and the two women in their bedroom seriously injured.

The old woman had three cuts on her head, and the younger one, two on the left arm, one on top of the head and one on the right side of the face.

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The hoped to have the same frequency on the Macao service.

### No Change

There was no plan to remove the local Broadcasting Station out of the control of the Postmaster-General, said Mr. Wynne-Jones.

No plan was contemplated for expanding the local broadcasting station, nor were there plans for new transmitters.

These were linked up with the question of finance; there was also the time taken in getting required equipment and materials.

No women announcers were on the staff of ZBW but their engagement is under consideration.

It was not the policy of the BBC to employ 50 percent women announcers and 50 percent men announcers.

Women were employed solely out of the exigencies of the war.

No plan was under way to house ZBW and ZEK in a new studio, owing to shortage of offices, the P.M.G. went on.

The Broadcasting Advisory Committee was a consultative and advisory body, whose duty it was to advise the Postmaster-General on ideas and wishes of the public on broadcasting matters in general.

The proposed diffusion service had received official approval. Only practical details remain to be worked out. It was hoped to operate by the end of the year.

### Mail Services

Seven airlines were taking mail out of Hong Kong, of which only one, PAL, was carrying airmail for the USA.

Mr. Wynne-Jones revealed that December, 1947 broke all records for the amount of postage stamps sold.

In that month stamps sales recorded \$700,000 odd. The previous high was about \$400,000.

Fees for broadcasting licences had established a record.

At the end of December the amount was \$22,000 as against \$14,000 just before the war.

There would be no immediate change in the design of Hong Kong's postage stamps for some time to come.

It was not proposed to issue for sale books of stamps, due to lack of interleaving material to prevent the stamps sticking.

## RADIO

ZBW Hong Kong broadcasting on frequency of 845 kilocycles from 12.15 to 2.00 p.m., and from 6.00 to 11.00 p.m., and also on 9.62 megacycles in the 31 metre band from 12.15 to 1.30 p.m. and 7.30 and 9.00 to 11.00 p.m.

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12.15 p.m.—STUDIO: Religious Talk to Children.

12.30 p.m.—Daily Programme Summary.

12.32 p.m.—Light Variety.

1.00 p.m.—Music of Haydn Wood.

1.15 p.m.—News, weather Report and Announcements.

1.25 p.m.—Orchestral Interlude.

1.30 p.m.—"From the Shows"—Musical Comedy.

2.00 p.m.—Close Down.

6.00 p.m.—B.B.C. Transcription Service: "Navy Mixture".

6.30 p.m.—Barnabas Von Gees and His Orchestra.

6.50 p.m.—STUDIO: "See Tee" on Sport.

7.00 p.m.—London Relay: World and Home News.

7.15 p.m.—STUDIO: Soft Faller at the Piano.

7.30 p.m.—STUDIO: Stage & Screen Favourites presented by Allen Woods.

8.05 p.m.—London Philharmonic Orchestra.

8.30 p.m.—B.B.C. Transcription Service: "Mr. and Mrs. Abbey's difficulty".

8.50 p.m.—E.M. Forster's Essay adapted by Douglas Cleverdon.

9.00 p.m.—STUDIO: A Talk by the Rev. Father T.P. Ryan, S.J.

"Great Composers"—Mendelssohn.

9.45 p.m.—Music of Mendelssohn.

10.00 p.m.—London Relay: Radio News Reel.

10.15 p.m.—Relay of the Dance Orchestra of Gennie Diamond & Paramount Ballroom.

11.00 p.m.—Close Down.



## Claims He Piloted Hitler To Safety

Captain Peter Baumgart, 32, told a Three-Judge Court in Warsaw that he had flown Hitler, Baumgart shortly before the fall of Berlin. Baumgart claims that Hitler and a party of friends boarded his plane at Hohenzollernsdamm, April 28, 1945. He says he landed the party about 44 miles from the Elter River in Denmark. Hitler, he said, shook hands with him and gave him a cheque of 20,000 marks. Baumgart, who had been handed over from the British Zone, is on trial for being a former member of the German SS, which under Polish law carries a minimum penalty of three years and the maximum of death sentence. (Associated Press Photo.)

## "NO SATISFACTION ON CLAIMS FOR REQUISITIONED SHIPS"

Reference to the lack of official satisfaction on the Company's claims for requisitioned vessels lost during the war was made at the annual meeting yesterday of the Hong Kong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co. Ltd.

The Chairman, Mr. Li Tse-fong, said that despite further representations to the Government on the claims the position remained unchanged.

All the satisfaction they had received was an official intimation on Oct. 27 last that the general question of claims in connection with loss of or damage to vessels requisitioned in 1941 was receiving the attention of the Secretary of State. It was added that it was hoped the position would be clarified in the near future.

### "Imposition"

Mr. Li added: "This continued imposition on a river steamer service which has had not a little to do in the development of Hong Kong throughout three quarters of a century is as unfair as it is inexplicable."

The profit on working for the year was \$17,417.95, and the net profit \$34.90.

While awaiting Government's settlement of claims most of the Company's income was derived from investments and from wharves.

An attempt to charter a river steamer was abandoned because of inability to agree on terms.

Mr. Li said the Company's future depended on Government making good their claims, though a fairly steady income enabled them to carry on with a monthly profit.

### Officials

Mr. Li Tse-fong and Sir Robert Ho Tung were re-elected directors for the ensuing year.

Messrs. Lowe Bingham & Matthews and Messrs. Peat, Marwick, Mitchell & Co. were re-elected auditors at an annual fee of \$1,000 each.

## SMUGGLERS' SAD STORY OF PIRACY Self Preservation Corps Men Freed

"We were, after all, only smuggling from Chinese territory and if we did not smuggle, we would not have anything to eat."

These remarks were made by the defendants at the conclusion of an armed robbery case at the Criminal Sessions yesterday, when they were advised by Mr. Justice F.H. Williams (Chief Justice), to give up their smuggling activities.

The two accused, who were charged with the armed robbery—Li Sheung and Wan Shau, members of the Sha Tau Village Self Preservation Corps, Po On District—were found not guilty by a jury and discharged.

### Bows

Immediately upon hearing the verdict, both men commenced bowing repeatedly to Mr. Justice Williams.

The case for the prosecution was conducted by Mr. A. J. Clifford, assisted by Det. Insp. V.J. Mackenzie.

Mr. Clifford said that at about 8 p.m. on Nov. 7, 1947, a party of nine travelling traders,

each with a quantity of unhusked rice, engaged three sampans at Sha Mei, Po On District, Chinese territory, to transport them and the rice to Un Long.

The sampans left Sha Mei at about 8.30 p.m. for Un Long, sailing in "line ahead" formation. About 600 yards off shore at Sha Tau in Deep Bay, a small fishing junk, sailing at right angles to the convoy, appeared about 50 yards in front of the leading sampan.

In this junk were a number of armed men, some of them wearing khaki uniform and caps with a white background, on which was a blue sun, surrounded by a wreath of golden leaves.

### Hold Up

As the sampans were alongside the junk, four men, two armed with revolvers and two with rifles, ordered the passengers to put up their hands and to go to the stern of the sampans.

They were then told to transfer their rice to the fishing junk, after which they were ordered into an empty sampan and returned to Sha Mei.

A report was made at Ping Shan that approximately 1,203 catties of unhusked rice, valued at \$48.20 had been stolen.

Of this amount, 1,120 catties had been recovered by the Police. The two accused were arrested on information.

In separate statements from the dock, both accused claimed to be members of the Sha Tau Village Self Preservation Corps, Po On District.

The rice had been seized by them in accordance with orders from a superior officer.

They had not stolen any money or assaulted anyone while making the seizure.

Li Sheung claimed that, out of a total of 48 bags of rice seized, ten bags were given to members of the Corps as a reward.

The balance of 38 bags was handed over to the Village Affairs Bureau.

## GIRL (19) SWINDLED BY SHARPER

When 19-year-old Lai Shun stepped off the "Nam Wai" ferry-boat at the Mongkok Pier yesterday at 2 p.m., she was \$80 poorer.

She had a gold ring worth \$45, and \$35 cash when she boarded the launch at Hong Kong. During the 20-minute trip, she was enticed into gambling with several other men and women, on the 3rd, Class deck.

Lai staked her ring and \$25. She was then told that she had lost them.

Police investigations are being conducted by Inspector Hensley.

Honolulu, Jan. 12.

The Lelehus Vandalis held Herman Wedemeyer of St. Mary's College and his Pacific Coast football All Stars to a 13-13 tie before 24,000 fans on Sunday.—Associated Press.

## The Enraged Lady Gave Swift Chase

Mrs. Mary E. McKay of the S.S. Marine Swallow which arrived here yesterday afternoon, had a "rudder welcome" when she stepped ashore.

As she was walking in Canton Road with two lady friends on shopping errands, a Chinese coolie came up from behind and snatched her handbag, containing US\$400 worth of travelling cheques.

The enraged ladies gave chase, raising the alarm at the same time.

Fortunately, Mr. Hyde of the Kowloon Godown, who was driving along heard the cries and jumped off in time to catch the coolie.

Chan Cheung-hon (21) is in police custody facing a charge of larceny from the person.

## Manager Discharged In Forgery Case

Holding that there was no evidence before the Court which justified him in calling William Maher, Portuguese manager of the Hot Shing Transportation Co. for his defence, Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday discharged Maher on two charges of obtaining money by false pretences, two of forging and uttering a document, and conspiring to obtain an endorsement on a driving licence by unlawful means.

Maher's co-defendant, Wong Chi, alias Cheung Sang, alias Wong Lo, 26, licensed driver, was sentenced to seven months' hard labour on the false pretences charges.

It was alleged by the prosecution, conducted by Det. Sub-Inspector C. Downman, that defendants obtained \$180 from Yip Shing and \$109 from Wang Shing by pretending that they were in a position to obtain an endorsement on their drivers' licences to drive a lorry.

In his defence, Wong stated he knew that a licensed motor-car driver had to be re-tested before he could obtain an endorsement to drive a lorry.

He claimed that what he did was under Maher's instructions. As Maher was his master, he did not doubt his honesty.

Pleading for leniency for Wong, Det. Downman said that from what he knew of the case he did not doubt that Wong was merely the scape-goat and not the brains behind the activities.

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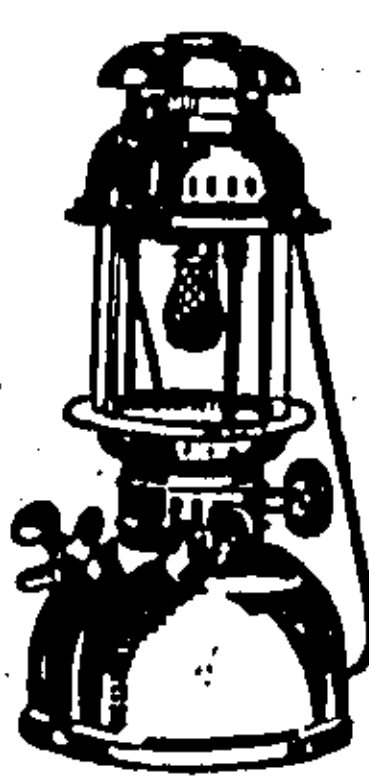
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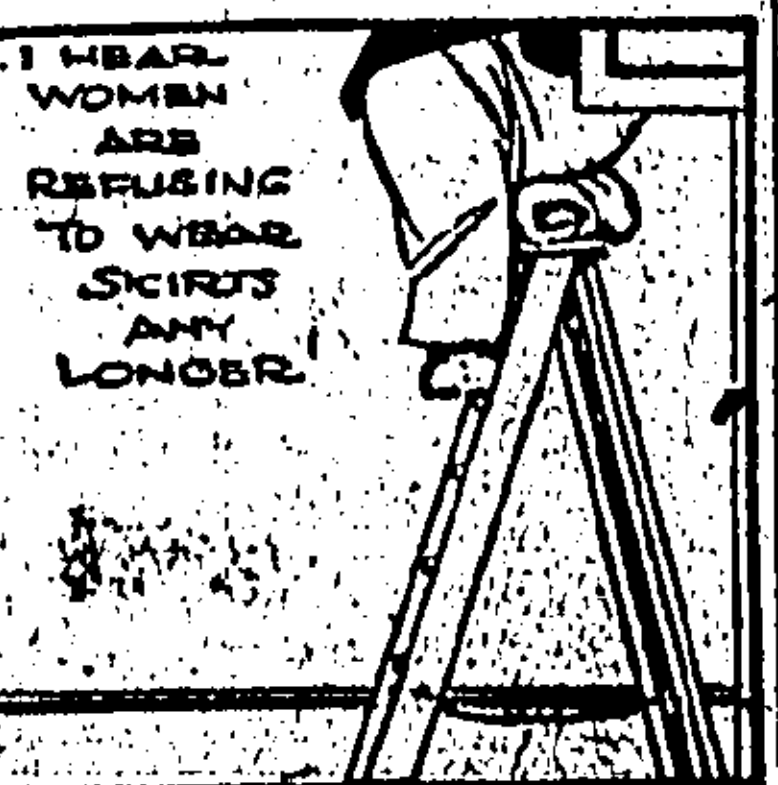
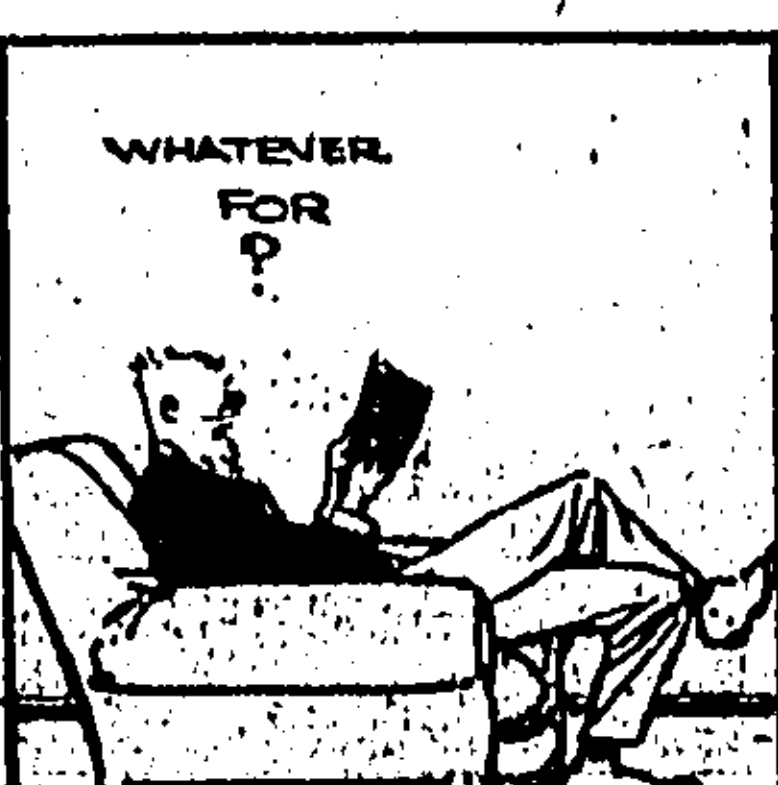
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at the Race Course, at 5.30 p.m. on Saturday, 17th January.

The DRAW will be held at the Public Parimutuel Hall, the Race Course, at 9.30 a.m. on Monday, 19th January.

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### Abdication Under Soviet Pressure

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Ex-King Carol of Rumania said in a statement to the press tonight: "I consider the recent events in Rumania as extremely grave for my country and for the international situation. 'The substitution of the monarchy of Rumania by a Democratic Popular Republic, or the Soviet rather, also marks a step forward of Communism into Europe and constitutes a new and serious warning to the civilised world.'

"The abject ways used in the Manu trial and his sentence are against all the principles of justice and make me forecast that with the systematic elimination of democratic elements Rumania is walking toward a catastrophe.

"I deplore the abdication of my son and everything leads me to believe that the act itself and its terms could only be imposed by force," Carol's statement said.

"During those days of anxiety when Rumania lived through one of the saddest pages of her history I was extremely anxious for the fate of my son and now I am happy to know that he at last is safe.

"The integration of Rumania in the Soviet system is contrary to the spirit of the Rumanian people. Their future and liberty depend from now onwards on the victories of the civilised world and I place all my hopes on those who fight for human liberty," Carol's statement concluded.

## Princess Anne

Meanwhile, Princess Anne of Bourbon-Parma, who is now staying with her mother, Princess Margherita, in Luxembourg, will shortly travel to France to meet ex-King Michael of Rumania.

The Princess said here tonight: "I shall soon go to France where I am going to meet my fiancé. Neither the date nor the place of our wedding has yet been chosen."

She added that she was "extremely moved" by the great interest the people were taking in her and her fiancé but said she felt "very tired by the emotions of recent days."—Reuter.

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## Michael Refuses Offer For Memoirs

LAUSANNE, JAN. 12.

FORMER KING MICHAEL OF RUMANIA, DESPITE HIS FINANCIAL PROBLEMS, HAS REJECTED AMERICAN BIDS "UP TO US\$200,000" FOR HIS MEMOIRS. HIS SECRETARY MIRCEA JONNITUS SAID LAST NIGHT.

Several American magazine and news agency representatives staying in the former King's hotel are understood to have been trying to outbid each other for Michael's as yet unwritten memoirs.

"This is no time for the King to publish his memoirs," his uncle, Prince Nicholas, said, "even if he were old enough to have very much to write about. Besides it is not the proper thing for a King to do."

Some of Michael's advisers are said to have warned him that publication of his memoirs would give the impression he had written off all hopes of regaining his throne.

Prince Nicholas described Michael as "a very shy boy" who had been shut off from contact with the outside world for many years.

"He must have time to settle down now," the Prince declared. "He has had a very difficult time and is facing many problems."—Associated Press.

## Proud To Provide Jews With Bombs

New York, Jan. 12.

Mr. Leonard Weisman, 32-year old owner of a shipping and export company, claimed last night that he had sold 200 tons of explosives—seized by the police during the previous three days in an empty New Jersey farmhouse and in lorries—to a man who "convinced" Mr. Weisman that he was an emissary of the Jewish Agency.

## Britain's Export Record

LANCASHIRE, JAN. 12.

THE PROVISIONAL EXPORT FIGURES FOR DECEMBER SHOWED THAT BRITAIN HAD ACHIEVED A DAILY RATE HIGHER IN VALUE THAN IN ANY MONTH SINCE THE WAR ENDED "AND PRETTY WELL THE HIGHEST FOR A QUARTER OF A CENTURY," MR. HAROLD WILSON, PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF TRADE, DECLARED AT A MEETING HERE LAST NIGHT.

Exports in December were nearly 20 percent higher in volume than in 1938, which meant that Britain was halfway towards her mid-1948 target of a 40 percent increase, Mr. Wilson added.

Though this was a considerable achievement, imports had increased considerably in price and in December there was still a gap of about £39,000,000 between exports and imports, he said.—Reuter.

## MOROCCO DENIAL

Algiers, Jan. 12.

The Secretary of the Sultan of Morocco, denied today that the Sultan had written to M. Vincent Auriol, President of the French Republic, asking for a revision of the protectorate treaty with France.

The latter categorically refused to entertain reports to the metropolitan Government. It was stated.—Reuter.

## MEETING OF OVERSEAS CHINESE

Nanking, Jan. 12.

A meeting of overseas Chinese representatives will be called some time in March by the Overseas Affairs Commission, according to Chinese reports quoted by Mr. Chow Chung-fun, Vice-Chairman of the Commission. Where the meeting will take place has not been decided.

It is stated that the discussions will include assistance to improve the economic status of overseas Chinese, the promotion of overseas Chinese education and adequate measures to safeguard the welfare of overseas Chinese.—Reuter.

## Russian Fires At American Couple

BERLIN, JAN. 12.

A RUSSIAN BORDER GUARD FIRED FIVE SHOTS INTO A CAR IN WHICH AN AMERICAN MAJOR AND HIS WIFE WERE RIDING, NARROWLY MISSING THEM, THE AMERICAN AUTHORITIES REPORTED TODAY.

Major Richard Baker, an Air Force officer attached to the Judge Advocate's office in Wiesbaden, said that the guard opened fire on his car after allowing it to pass through the barrier at Helmsdorf, a check point between Berlin and the British occupation zone.

Major Baker said he stopped his small German convertible automobile immediately when the bullets ripped into the back of the car as it reached a point about 75 yards beyond the barrier.

"I told my wife to lie on the floor quick," Baker said. "It was the first time in 27 years that she obeyed me without question."—United Press.

## Planes Bombing Tribes

LONDON, JAN. 11.

ROYAL INDIAN AIR FORCE PLANES AND INDIAN ARTILLERY ENGAGED A BAND OF RAIDING TRIBESMEN WHO WERE MAKING OFF WITH MULES, CAMELS AND HORSES IN THE NAOSHARA (SOUTHWEST KASHMIR) AREA AND INFLECTED CASUALTIES, NEW DELHI RADIO REPORTED.

QUOTING TONIGHT'S INDIAN ARMY COMMUNIQUE.

In an attack on a small Kashmir village, the raiders killed a villager, kidnapped women and carried off some cattle.

RIAF planes also carried out reconnaissance flights, the communiqué added.

The India-Pakistan Joint Defence Council met in Lahore today under the chairmanship of Earl Mountbatten, Governor General of India.

New Delhi Radio also reported. Pandit Nehru and Liaquat Ali Khan, the Prime Ministers of India and Pakistan, attended with their military commanders.

The Joint Defence Council decided to proclaim a general amnesty for all military personnel of the two dominions between Aug. 15 last year (Independence Day) and Jan. 10, 1948.

The amnesty will cover proceedings in military and civil courts and ordinances to this effect are being issued by the Governors-General of India and Pakistan.

The communiqué tonight "announcing the amnesty" added that "various inter-dominion matters" were discussed at today's meeting of the Council.—Reuter.

## Ministry Averts A Strike

LONDON, JAN. 12.

THE GOVERNMENT HAS BEEN SUCCESSFUL IN PREVENTING NEXT MONTH A STRIKE OF WINDING ENGINEERS THAT WOULD HAVE SERIOUSLY HAMPERED COAL PRODUCTION.

The Secretary of the National Union of Winding Engineers, Mr. Watson, tonight announced that his National Executive had suspended the strike notices pending a Ministry of Labour enquiry into the circumstances of the dispute.

At the time of announcing the inquiry, the Ministry appealed "to all concerned" not to take any action that "might be interpreted as being in disregard of the Court of Inquiry"—in other words, not to carry out the strike threat.

The strike was opposed by the powerful National Union of Mineworkers.

Most winding engineers belong to this union, but 500 of them in South Wales formed a breakaway union last spring.—Reuter.

## Britons To Fight For Arabs

LONDON, JAN. 12.

THREE BRITISH EX-INDIAN ARMY OFFICERS LEFT LONDON BY AIR OVER THE WEEK-END TO FIGHT FOR THE ARABS IN PALESTINE.

They refused to disclose their identities, but said there had been many applications in London to join the "Palestine Legion" and it was likely that other officers and men would leave Britain for the Middle East shortly.

Commenting on rumours that Captain Roy Farran, the 36-year-old ex-Commando, acquired last year by a Palestine court martial of charges of murdering a young Jew, had returned to Palestine to fight the Jews, his father said tonight:

"I do not think he has gone back. He wrote to us last Saturday when he was in Scotland and would not leave for abroad without our knowing. He is interested in some other business entirely—not Palestine."—Reuter.

## TAX COLLECTORS TO STRIKE

Rome, Jan. 12.

Italian tax collectors will go on strike today in support of the 12-day-old walkout of the country's bank employees.

The tax collectors' action could become the first step toward a nationwide general strike of the 6,000,000 members of the Communist-dominated Italian General Confederation of Labour.

The Confederation has urged solidarity with the striking bank workers.—Associated Press.

## Britons Betting Too Much

LONDON, JAN. 11.

A GROUP OF ABOUT 130 MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT, LED BY A LABOURITE, MR. WILLIAM NALLY, ARE TO RAISE THE WHOLE SUBJECT OF BETTING IN BRITAIN WHEN PARLIAMENT REASSEMBLES ON JAN. 20.

They want a "common-sense approach" to gambling on which Britons spend as much yearly as they received from the American loan.

In 1946, the last year for which complete figures are available, £460,000,000 was spent on horse racing, £430,000,000 on greyhound racing and £70,000,000 on football "pools"—forecasting the result of football matches.

Mr. Nally asserted that "every 'Spiv'—idler who lives by his wits—hoped to become a football pool promoter.

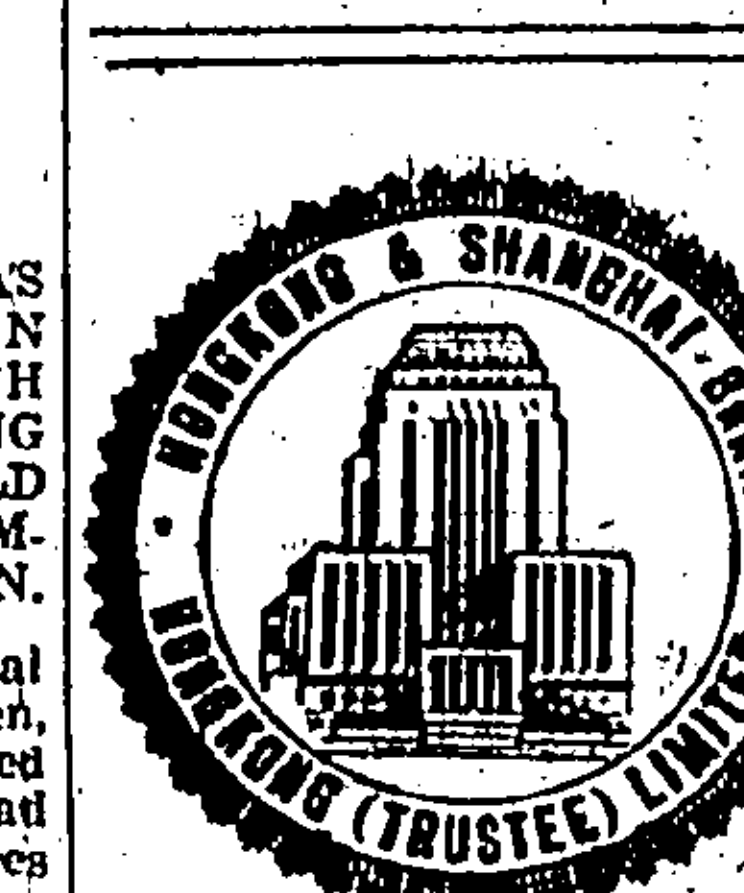
The Parliamentary group are expected to urge the Government to use its present powers to the utmost to control all forms of betting.—Reuter.

## MOSCOW LOOKS AT ATTLEE

Moscow, Jan. 12.

The Communist newspaper Pravda said today that Prime Minister Clement Attlee's radio speech of Jan. 3 demonstrated that Attlee belonged in the same camp with Socialist Leon Blum of France as "enemies of democracy."

Pravda belittled the Labour Party's nationalisation programme and said that "one shout from Wall Street is sufficient to induce Attlee's Government to hide its programme in its pocket and start to beat the workers over the heads with clubs."—Associated Press.



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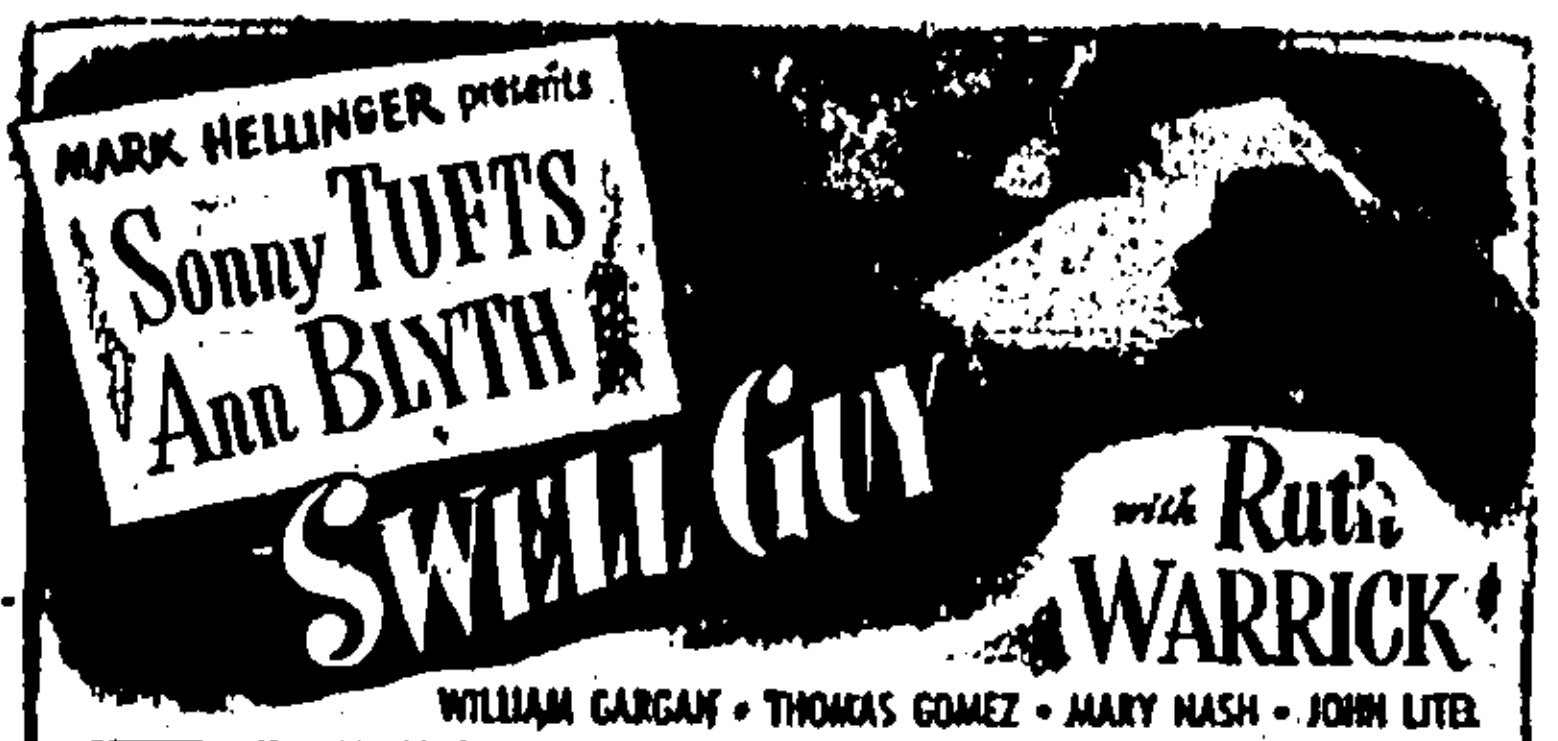
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## SOVIET PLAN FOR BERLIN May Be Incorporated In Eastern Zone

### Cuts In Aid To Europe Figures

WASHINGTON, JAN. 11. THE STATE DEPARTMENT DISCLOSED TODAY THAT IT HAS CUT BY MORE THAN US\$2,000,000,000 THE AMOUNT OF FINANCIAL HELP ORIGINALLY REQUESTED BY BRITAIN, FRANCE, WESTERN GERMANY AND GREECE IN THE FIRST YEAR OF THE EUROPEAN RECOVERY PLAN.

Government officials said documents submitted to the Senate Foreign Relations Committee show the administration made these reductions in screening figures presented by 16 non-Communist European nations.

Smaller cuts were made in analysing the needs of Italy, Denmark and Sweden, they told a reporter while slight increases were judged necessary for the Netherlands, Belgium, Luxembourg and Norway.

This inter-departmental study seeks to explain in detail the basis of the administration's estimate that US\$8,800,000,000 is needed as the American Government's contribution for the first 15 months of the Marshall plan. — Associated Press.

### Rocket Ships To Planets?

BERKELEY, CALIF., JAN. 11. SCIENTISTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA ARE TOYING WITH THE IDEA OF SENDING ROCKET SHIPS TO NEIGHBOURING PLANETS—AS SOON AS A FEW MECHANICAL DETAILS ARE ironed out.

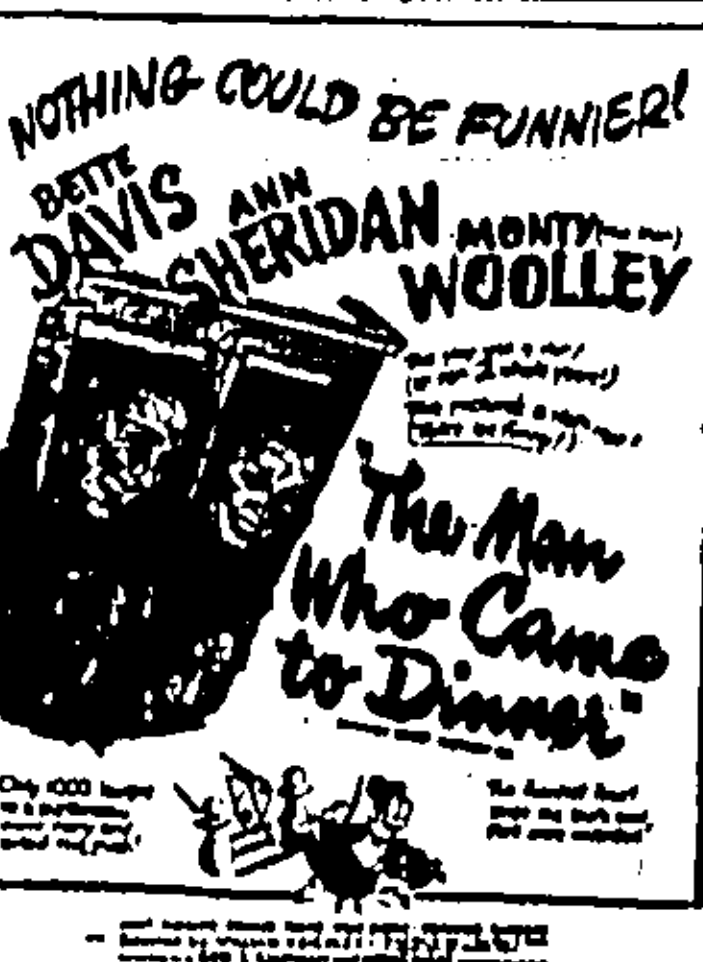
The first ship presumably would be unmanned and radar-controlled. Samuel Herrick, associate professor of astronomy on the Los Angeles campus, said, "I think techniques already exist to make it possible."

He argued that as fantastic as the idea appears, it at least offers "a vision of new worlds as a more fascinating goal than blowing up the only one we now have." — Associated Press.

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### Objection To New Western State

Berlin, Jan. 12. Russia may incorporate her sector of Berlin into the Eastern occupation Zone as a counter-measure to the British and United States plan to strengthen the administration of the combined Western Zones, sources close to the Soviet military administration said tonight. This might lead to the dissolution of the Berlin Council and to the removal of Soviet representatives from the four-power Kommandatura, the Russian sources added.

The Soviet position, informing the Western Allies that she does not recognise the "new Western German state" set up at Frankfurt, would be stated by Marshal Vassily Sokolovsky, the Russian Commander-in-Chief in Germany, before the next meeting of the Allied Control Council on Jan. 20, it was stated.

Marshall Sokolovsky, it was added, would deliver a long statement setting out in detail why the Soviet Union will not recognise what he considers "the camouflage government of Western Germany."

Plans to put the counter-measure into effect were ready, the sources said, and are only awaiting word from Moscow.

### Berlin's Prestige

In changing the status of the Russian sector of Berlin, the Russians would be abandoning the plan accepted a few weeks ago to have a central administration for the Soviet Zone from Berlin to Leipzig.

By retaining the central administration in Berlin and incorporating the sector of the city into the Soviet Zone, it would hope to gain from the natural prestige Berlin enjoys in the minds of all Germans.

The introduction of a new currency in the Eastern Zone was not expected unless currency reform was introduced in the West.

The sources added, however, that new banknotes have already been printed in Leipzig.

Today's disclosures from Russian sources gave point to an editorial in today's Tagliche Rundschau, official organ of the Soviet military administration.

### "Changes"

After a strong attack on the Frankfurt paper, the newspaper stated that "these gross violations of the agreement must necessarily be followed by changes in the status of Berlin."

"We can no longer tolerate Berlin being made the centre of separation and the meeting place of intrigues."

"The United States and Britain were the first powers to set foot on the dangerous road towards violation of the Allied Control machinery which must necessarily lead to changes in Berlin's status."

"It is a great responsibility they have taken upon themselves." — Reuter.

### MR. DANIELS DYING

Raleigh, N.C., Jan. 12. Physicians attending Josephus Daniels said today that the former Navy Secretary was unconscious and "in a dying condition." — Associated Press.

### Catholic Objection To Marriage Rule

London, Jan. 12. The Catholic Church in Britain took issue today with a recent decision of Britain's highest court questioning whether the procreation of children is the principal end of marriage.

"The principal purpose of marriage is not procreation, but the union of man and woman and their subsequent education," Cardinal Griffin told a meeting of the Westminster Catholic Parents' Association.

"It is the common teaching of Catholic theologians that contraceptive intercourse, whether with the aid of instruments or not, is not consummation of marriage," he said.

"I have no quarrel with the verdict given, but we cannot consider a marriage that has once

### FLOOD PUMPS WORKING IN PARIS

Paris, Jan. 12. The river police here today set the flood pumps working in key industrial centres in the two southern Paris suburbs of Bry-sur-Marne and Perreux, as the Seine overflowed its banks for several miles in the heart of the capital.

The river was still rising and flooded a large section of the suburbs bordering on its bank to a depth of several inches.

It rose another 12 inches in the night, the quickest increase in level during the present floods, to a new high of 12 feet and six inches above normal, and only 18 inches from the 14 feet danger "mark." — Reuter.

### Mystery Force At Work

MUNICH, JAN. 11. A MYSTERIOUS "ETHER WALL" AT THE RUSSIAN ZONE BORDER IS BLACKING OUT AMERICAN BROADCASTS TO A BIG SEGMENT OF BAVARIA AND COMPLETELY PREVENTING THEM FROM REACHING INTO SOVIET-OCCUPIED TERRITORY.

Germans living in the sector have written to the Military Government and to German authorities asking for American broadcasts and complaining they cannot hear Radio Munich. The same Munich beams, however, are heard without difficulty in Paris.

Radio engineers said it was only a technical problem. They shied away from any hint that the Soviets were deliberately scrambling the area, as both the Allied and German armies did during the war with great effectiveness. — Associated Press.

### TRAIN HITS BUS

Prague, Jan. 11. Two were killed and 20 injured when a bus was hit by a train as it level-crossing on the Berez to Turnov line today. Ice on the road was said to have prevented the bus from stopping. — Reuter.

### Religious Liberty In Peril

WASHINGTON, JAN. 11. ASSERTING THAT "RELIGIOUS LIBERTY IS IN PERIL," A GROUP OF LEADING PROTESTANT CHURCHMEN TODAY ANNOUNCED THE FORMATION OF A NATION-WIDE ORGANIZATION DEVOTED TO THE "SEPARATION OF CHURCH AND STATE."

While emphasizing that "our controversy is not with any church, Roman Catholic or any other," the group demanded the immediate recall of Myron Taylor, President Truman's personal Ambassador to the Vatican, and denounced the use of tax funds to provide free bus transportation for parochial school pupils.

Twice in the past year delegations of Protestant churchmen called on the White House with demands that Truman and diplomatic ties with the Vatican. Each time the Chief Executive assured them that there was no permanency to Taylor's status at the Holy See.

Taylor conferred with the President on Friday but the topic was not disclosed.

The new organization to the names of "Protestants and other Americans United for the Separation of Church and State." — United Press.

### Elections In Soviet

London, Jan. 11. The first post-war elections in the Soviet Union were completed today when voters polled for the local Soviets of the Byelorussian, Kazakh, Georgian, Azerbaijan and Kirghizov republics, Moscow Radio reported.

The newspaper Pravda, quoted by Moscow Radio, said that the republics concerned had "unanimously named as their first candidate their great leader, Stalin."

and that "Stalin's closest colleagues, the finest representatives of the rising class, peasantry and intellectuals" had been proposed as candidates.

"As they go to the elections, the people will review the great achievements and the brilliant prospects of a further Socialist construction," the article added.

"They will joyfully cast their votes for the candidates of the Stalinist, Communist and non-party bloc." — Reuter.

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## BIRTH

HEATH—At Kowloon Hospital, on January 12, 1948, to JOAN, wife of H. W. E. Heath, Colonial Police Service, a boy.

## KOWLOON CITY INCIDENT

Yesterday morning's incident in the Kowloon City area will be generally deplored. As a most unfortunate development of political agitation, nurtured by extremists and misplaced zealotry, over a minor issue which reason would have left at that level it was as unnecessary as it was regrettable.

The facts are simple enough. The authority of the Hong Kong Government over the entire area has been accepted, both de facto and de jure, for nearly fifty years. The persons affected by the eviction order, issued on the grounds of serious menace to the wider public health and the hazard of fire, were squatters without any sort of title in the land, irrespective of any issue of jurisdiction. The clutter of shacks, entirely without acceptable sanitary arrangements, had all been erected, without permit or right of any kind, within a period of about twelve months. It will not be forgotten that one of the Colony's most serious cholera epidemics emanated from this district just before the war.

Least of all the persons with any standing in the matter is the Po On magistrate, who by grossly exceeding all authority vested in him bears a greater responsibility for fomenting the trouble that has occurred than any severity of action by the Hong Kong Government could possibly have done had the problem created by the squatters been dealt with purely on its merits, as was Hong Kong's intention in giving ample warning of the necessity for clearing the health-menace and in offering alternative sites.

It was in these circumstances that instructions were given, by Kowloon Magistrate's Court, for the removal of the squatters, and action to clear them was taken last week. It was scarcely to be expected that the re-erection of a series of hovels in defiance of the Court order could be tolerated if any sense of law and discipline was to be preserved among this Colony's inhabitants.

But when the police paid their second visit yesterday morning, they were faced by a hostile crowd, many of them no doubt having no connection, whatever with Kowloon City, offering violent resistance with stones and brick bats to police carrying out an unpleasant task assigned to them, as a result of which a few shots were fired—wounding one man—and tear-gas bombs were thrown.

The seriousness of the event lies in that this incident will probably be exaggerated out of all proportion to its importance, and attempts be made to exploit it by the political time-servers who, since the war, have seized upon every opportunity, however slight, in efforts to embarrass the Hong Kong authorities and to stir up strife between China and Britain. This, of course, is by the chauvinists considered a fair return for the many efforts of the Hong Kong Government to lend their ready co-operation in measures to solve China's real problems—as witness the financial agreement with Nanking, which has now been put into full effect, and the anti-smuggling agreement which is about to become operative.

Obviously, rapid action is now necessary to achieve a settlement of the matter and to put it on its proper footing. A realistic approach is called for from both sides. No good can be served to either country by allowing an atmosphere of ill-will to arise from over-excitement of students, fostered by mis-statements and mis-judgments, or by acquiescence in the self-appointed activities of the Po On Magistrate. On a more responsible plane, there is no reason why the matter should not be amicably closed, as might have been done before things came to a head.

## IN SEARCH OF FAITH

REMARKABLE SCENES  
IN CARDIFF

By Jack Thomas

On the afternoon of Saturday, October 11, eighty ministers and deacons of the Elin Foursquare Gospel Alliance met in City Temple, Cowbridge-road, Cardiff, to consider the results of a revival campaign in the mining township of Mountain Ash.

At 3 p.m. their talk was interrupted by a wave of sound outside. The delegates had to raise their voices to make themselves heard. Then one of them went out to investigate. He found a queue, hundreds strong, forming for the evening "revival and baptismal" service, due to open in two hours later.

At 5.30 p.m. 1,200 people packed the Temple. Five hundred more crowded into an overflow meeting at another church. The rest were turned away.

But yet a third crowd appeared—a trainload of converts from Mountain Ash. To accommodate them ministers, deacons and local followers gave up their seats.

More than 1,700 listened that evening to the old Gospel story. Hundreds passed through the baptismal waters.

You might say this was a typical Welsh revival scene—the sort of thing the country has known at intervals for centuries.

A Difference

But my investigations show a marked difference between the traditional revivals and this one. The difference is that with the passage of time the average convert's emotionalism is apt to weaken, but the results of this new type of evangelism are, so far, 60 per cent. permanent.

Pastor P. S. Baxter, who conducted the service I have described, claims that the positive robust Gospel of the Foursquare Church—the Bible without trimmings—is for many the sheet-anchor for which they are searching.

Only a few weeks before there were strange scenes in Mountain Ash. In this grey mining community in the Aberdare Valley stands the Noddfa Methodist Church. Years of unemployment and empty bellies shake all but the most fervent faith, and the church had to close.

Then, on September 13 last, hundreds of men, women and children gathered before those locked doors. A mile away on the mountainside farmers could hear the crowd singing the grand old Welsh hymns.

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The Colonial Chaplain has considered it his duty, in the exercise of his vocation as the official Warden of the souls of this community, to deliver from the pulpit, and to present to the members of his congregation, certain discourses with prelatory remarks, denouncing horse-racing as a wicked amusement unfit for Christian men, and attributing the death on the race course we have so recently had to lament to the direct intervention of Divine Providence, for a warning to the community to abstain in future from such an evil practice.

"That the course pursued by the Colonial Chaplain will be productive of any good in this way, he anticipates. I cannot hope that it will be productive of some evil, I much fear. The placing of the full name of the deceased upon the title page, and the inference obviously intended to be drawn by the state of his soul in this world and the next, will, no doubt, tend greatly to outrage the feelings of his friends and to make their almost certain indignation more than swallow up any amount of good calculated to benefit them; that the pamphlet may contain, and these friends constitute a great part of the community...

"We are Protestants, not Roman Catholics; and it is one of the distinctive marks of Protestantism (and long may it continue to be so) that its preachers are not bound down by the dictum of a priest or a synod of bishops, but may themselves test by scripture and reason the doctrine propounded for their belief; and, therefore, the Colonial Chaplain, by himself propounding the doctrine that horse-racing is a wicked amusement, is not too much to prove this before we expunge from the list of lawful recreations an amusement which we and our descendants have hitherto held to be lawful and innocent."

LAUCUS AND CHRISTIANUS.

Pastor Brewster led the singing. Then he opened the doors and entered the church. The crowd followed. Every seat, the aisles, the very pulpit steps, were filled. Two hundred people crowded into a smaller room below the main hall. Men stood on each other's shoulders to peer through the windows.

A woman had been wheeled to the meeting in a bathchair. They prayed for her—and then and there she rose from the chair and ceased to be a cripple.

Now this is a strange, exciting story. But it is not merely a nine days' wonder in an obscure Welsh township—the kind of thing which might give Elin Williams the background for a new play. Reports of similar happenings are coming from other parts of Britain where the Foursquare Evangelists have set up their Gospel tents.

There is a woman in Cardiff—I have talked with her—who lay in hospital for months. She had an open wound which would not heal.

One evening the woman struggled to a "healing" service in the City Temple. Kneeling with the congregation she asked for Divine help. And in a matter of minutes, say the people who were present, the gaping wound had closed and healed.

These are two of the numerous cases that are well known among the Foursquare fellowship. They are vouched for by witnesses.

What is the explanation? Says Pastor Brewster: "Read your Bible. Christ is the Healer of the body. All who walk in obedience to His will can claim Divine healing for their ills."

First and last word for Elin is the Bible—complete, and with no concessions to "modern thought." Its message is taken literally as the guide to all activities and individual living. I am bound to say that all the Elin followers I met seemed to be happy people who have found a way of life which satisfies them.

The Young Crusaders

Today, it has some 200 churches in Britain (32 are in London) branches all over the world, and a widespread missionary movement. It has a residential Bible College in Clapham Park, London, a Bible College correspondence school, and publishes at least four religious periodicals. Its youth movement, the Elin Crusaders, has thousands of members between 14 and 35.

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for any particular town. When the time is ripe, say the evangelists, God reveals to the evangelist where to go. Nobody worries about finance. They rely on God.

Headquarters may be a cinema, a dance hall, a reopened church building, a tent in an open field.

The evangelists go into the streets, the factories, the pubs, the clubs. They visit hospitals and almshouses. They shake up consciences in suburban homes. Evenings and all day Sunday, there are revival services.

The Spirit Is The Same

There are no "stunts." The message is the plain old Bible story—but with a new presentation.

Two weeks ago I revisited Mountain Ash. It was the Saturday of "Drama Week"—tough opposition for the evangelists. But there were few empty seats in the Noddfa Church.

Said Deacon Price: "You should have come on Sunday, man. One service won't hold them all. We have to run continuous performances, like the pictures."

Cardiff's City Temple, with its chromium fittings and 1,000 plush, tip-up seats, contrasts with the pitch-pine and whitewash simplicity of Noddfa Church. The mixed choir at Cardiff is accompanied by a £2,000 organ. Noddfa's singers are accompanied by a piano.

But in sincerity, mining township and city congregation are one.

Harsh things are being said out in the Pacific about the Big Four Foreign Ministers and their ludicrous efforts at peace-making. Political and social leaders in Australia and New Zealand are crying: "Keep 'em away from here. We want none of their nonsense when we sit down to deal with the Japs."

The fear that the Japanese peace treaty, due to come up for consideration next April, will be "handled" by the Big Four Council is becoming more than a talking-point in the two Commonwealth nations that had a big stake in the Pacific War, and there are breakers ahead if that comes about.

Any re-enactment of the fiasco of deadlock and insult of the German "peace" talks in dealing with Japan will be bitterly resented and opposed "Down Under."

A nice thing about the natives that really fought in the Pacific War—Brazil, Australia, Holland, New Zealand—is that they give full credit to their allies' part in the victory, and doing the lion's share of everything. Russia is regarded as having arrived on the scene in time to take part in the surrender ceremony.

Meanwhile, the whole Commonwealth, from Malta to Sydney, Hobart to Montreal, Ceylon to Trinidad, Newfoundland to Cape Town, listened eagerly to the King's broadcast at Christmas. This has become one of the greatest bonds of Commonwealth and Empire.

To the column came many letters from all over the Commonwealth wishing the Mother Country a Happy Christmas and a Prosperous New Year. In most cases *Prosperous* was underlined.

A declaration of war will be signed in London early in the New Year by almost every African Government—war against locusts, because of lack of control personnel and material during the war locusts breeding-grounds, in two outbreak areas, covering between 4,000 and 6,000 square miles, in Tanganyika were neglected, and several billion invaders are expected to attack in full strength next season if something on a big scale is not done.

Britain's new ground-nuts scheme is threatened, according to some experts, unless the enemy is routed in his home territory. Air spraying is being used extensively.

New Zealand has been generous with food parcels to Britain this year. Total figures up to November 30 were 1,71,000 parcels (population 1,450,000).

Four runners, three swimmers, two boxers, two weight-lifters, and one cyclist will be taking the trip to Britain for the Olympic Games next year.

Australia is jubilant over the colossal wheat deals made with Britain and India—and we at home can sigh that the Commonwealth for generous treatment.

Australia has sold us 80,000,000 bushels at 17s. (Australian) a bushel. India is to get 25,000,000 bushels at 18s. 6d.

The big problem now is getting the wheat from Australian ports to Britain.

I understand consideration is being given to a scheme to employ some of the laid-up Fleet Air Arm "Woolworth" carriers (former merchant ships) to bring home the grain.

## CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



"No pockets, Joe! Just for a lark, I want to see my old lady's expression!"

CHANGES IN AMERICA'S  
JAPANESE POLICY

By John Hightower

Washington, Dec. 27. Sweeping changes in United States policy toward Japan during 1948 are predicted in Washington as the present year comes to a close.

Failure of the council of Foreign Ministers at London to agree, on Europe, one principal reason given for this forecast.

High American legislative officials see in the Russian refusal to go along with Britain, France and the U.S. in Europe cause for a "reversal of American thinking in the Pacific."

Already the "Big Four" in Europe are being referred to here and elsewhere as the "big three" and the "big one."

Some students of international affairs here see the same thinking applied to the Pacific. This would replace the "Allied unity" ideal vigorously sought since V-J Day.

If converts to this new line of thinking have their way, a more independent and vigorous American effort next year for major decisions in the Pacific may be expected.

The overall Japanese question in American minds as the year expires is: "When are we going to get peace with Japan?"

Americans generally are for Allied unity but not to the point where it blocks the road to peace. Many, both in and out of Government, believe that point has been reached.

When Congress comes back in January, Japanese affairs seem sure to get more attention than heretofore. Many Congressmen say they are going to ask "What are we doing in Japan, and why don't we write the Pacific peace?"

The answer in their minds, so they say, is "Get on with the Pacific peace conference."

American occupation policies in Japan also seem destined for legislative survey.

Criticism is increasing, both in Congressional circles and among U.S. business interests in Japanese trade, that economic and social reforms are being carried out in Japan which are "Anglo-Saxon" and thus contrary to democratic principles.

Numerous legislators are asking: "Is this free, and if so, why?" And they are promising to try and find out when they convene again.

The generally American public will generally support congressional efforts to get Japanese questions more into the open and expedite their solution may be taken for granted.

Here are some other Japanese matters the U.S. Government and people would like to see settled as quickly as possible after the opening of the new year:

1.—Get both domestic and international trade wholly back into private hands. This especially applies to international business and the present restricted private trading agreement. There is no great objection here to public ownership of coal mines, but this does not apply to Zaitatsu interests generally.

2.—Make available to Japanese industry more raw materials from wherever they can be profitably had. Americans view this as the way to self-reliance for Japan.

3.—Many Americans feel that Japanese labour in its new found rights and privileges is indulging in excesses under the banner of "democracy." Americans would like to see a stronger inclination to work and less fretting about overtime.

4.—The U.S. wants to settle the reparations issue. This is closely linked with the idea of "reconciliation" of American thinking in the Pacific. The U.S. has a new reparations proposal before the Far East Commission. It is likely all Commission nations will approve it, except Russia. This may be the forerunner of a scheme to employ some of the laid-up Fleet Air Arm "Woolworth" carriers (former merchant ships) to bring home the grain.

The problem of the Japanese peace treaty of course is closely related to the foregoing and other issues affecting Japan's future. In a word, the U.S. wants formal peace with Japan. Various other Allies feel the same way. It is reasonable to expect that increased pressure in that direction will be exerted by the nations holding that view. Associated Press.

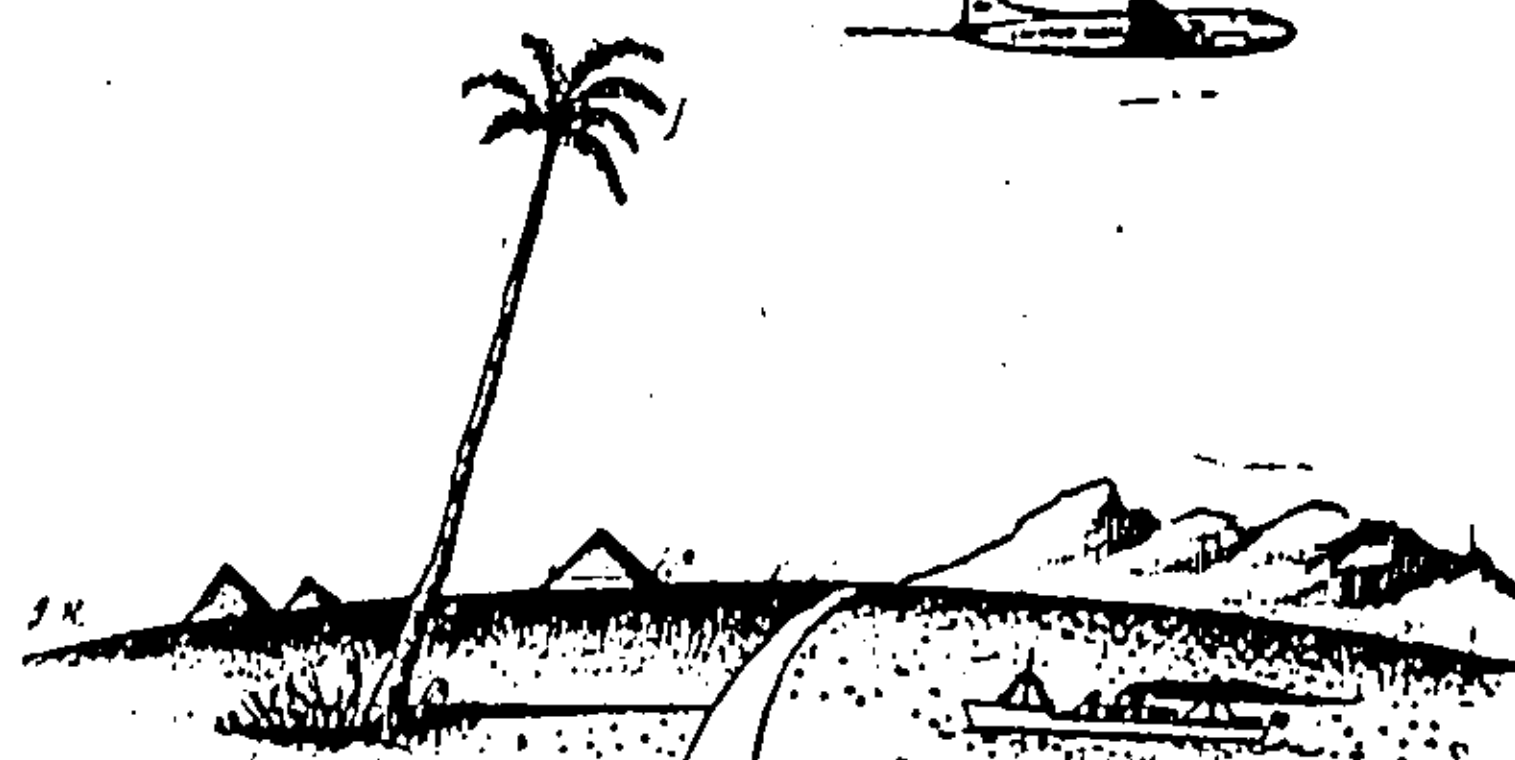
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# SOCIALISTS IN CONFERENCE

## Increasing Of Mutual Aid In Europe

### Pre-Condition Of American Aid

London, Jan. 12.

Europe's Socialist Parties must find the means to increase mutual aid among the European nations as a pre-condition to effective United States aid, M. Grumbach, French delegate to the Committee for International Socialist Conferences, now meeting in London, declared in an interview today.

Mutual aid must be developed in such a way as not to interfere with the liberty of each country to go forward to an internal Socialist organisation, M. Grumbach added.

His words summed up the feeling of welcome among the delegates from northern and western Europe and Germany at yesterday's Anglo-French decision to call a conference of the Socialist parties in the countries affected by the Marshall Plan.

Explaining how the plans arose for the conference, which is to be held in London on March 21 and 22, M. Grumbach stated: "We are to examine how the proposal for planned European cooperation, agreed by the Paris 16-nation Conference, can be related to our common Socialist aim as many of our parties are either at the head of their national governments or wield important influence within them."

Mr. Grumbach disclosed that the French Socialists had originally envisaged such a conference being called by the International Socialist Committee, and that it should be open to the Eastern European Socialist parties, despite their opposition to the Marshall Plan.

### Not Regional

This proposal, however, unanimously endorsed by the French Socialist Party Executive, was rejected by a majority vote at yesterday's Committee meeting.

The Eastern countries voted against it because they considered that the Conference, uniting the Marshall Plan supporters from Norway to Greece, was not a regional conference in the sense approved by the statute of the International Socialist Conference and would put them in opposition to the whole international machinery with which they have so far cooperated.

The British and Scandinavians also opposed the French proposal because they felt that the conference, to be constructive, should be confined to the parties positively interested in the Marshall Plan.

In the end that point of view prevailed and the British Labour Party announced its willingness to call such a conference.

Then the Belgian party suggested that it would give the conference a less one-sided character if the French party was associated with the initiative from the start.

### Significant

M. Grumbach agreed to this proposal pending approval by his Party Executive which, in the circumstances, he hoped to obtain.

Dr. Larocq, the chief Belgian delegate and editor of Le Peuple, the central organ of the Belgian Socialist Party, said: "I think that some of the most important questions of common interest which our parties should discuss at the conference concern the role which Western Germany is to

play in the reconstruction of European economy."

M. Thomassen, the Dutch delegate, said that his delegation was not optimistic when it arrived in London because of the disagreements between the West and the East, which had shown themselves at Antwerp.

They were very glad that a way had now been found to go forward with constructive work among like-minded parties.

Dr. Kurt Schumacher, German Social Democratic leader, also welcomed the decision to call the conference.

He thought it significant that while Germany was still represented at the 16-nation Conference by the occupying powers, German Labour would be represented at the Socialist Conference by its own elected representatives.—Reuter.

## YOUNG KING BREAKS LEG

Villars, Jan. 11.

Twelve-year-old King Faisal of Iraq broke his left leg while skiing alone here today.

He was tonight under treatment at his hotel in Villars, a winter sports resort above the Rhone Valley, where he arrived three weeks ago with his mother and a suite of ten.

King Faisal, who has been learning to ski during his winter holidays, was due to return to school in England shortly.—Reuter.

## KIDNAPPED U. S. MARINES

Shanghai, Jan. 12.

Chinese reports from Tientsin claimed today that the United States Marine authorities have established contact with the Communists at Kiaoow, 30 land miles from Tientsin, for the release of five Marines who are believed to have been kidnapped by the Reds while on a hunting trip on Christmas Day.

The reports said that the negotiators are keeping silence pending the release of the Marines.—United Press.

## Albanian Hand In Greece

ATHENS, JAN. 11.

AN ALLEGATION THAT ALBANIA WAS INTERFERING IN GREEK AFFAIRS AND WAS PLAYING AN ACTIVE PART IN GUERRILLA ACTIVITIES, WAS MADE BY THE UNITED NATIONS BALKANS COMMISSION IN ITS DECEMBER REPORT, PUBLISHED TODAY, ACCORDING TO THE GREEK NEWS AGENCY.

The report, read at a press conference at Salonika by Vice-Admiral Alan Goodrich Kirk, United States representative on the committee, and addressed to Dr. Trygve Lie, Secretary-General of the United Nations, stated that the commission "is following with very great uneasiness the recent developments in the political situation in the area concerned in the recommendations of the General Assembly."

It declared that in the absence of any communication with interested governments, the Greek Government excepted, the commission had taken note of public statements and other indications of the attitude of the four governments concerned, with regard to the General Assembly's recommendations.—Reuter.

## Millionaire Rag-Picker



Joseph Joannovic (left centre) the Besafabian Rag-Picker who made a fortune during the German occupation of France when he appeared at the Paris Palace of Justice on Dec. 30, accused of receiving stolen goods. (Associated Press Photo.)

## U.S. Marine Transfer "Routine"

Philadelphia, Jan. 11.

General Clifton Cates, United States Marines Commandant, declared here today that no American Marines had been ordered to Palestine.

Reports from Arab sources in London on Friday said that the United States was contemplating sending Marines to protect its consulate in Jerusalem.

(This was followed by a denial by the State Department in Washington, which stated that no official approach on the subject had been made to the Palestine Government, but that "informal" security talks had been proceeding.)

General Cates termed the despatch of some 1,000 Marines to the Mediterranean as "routine." He added: "It is perfectly normal for us to send Marines with our fleet in the Mediterranean. There are some there now and the new contingent will merely replace those that are already there."—Reuter.

## PORTUGAL'S GRATITUDE

Lisbon, Jan. 12.

A statue given by Portuguese women, as an expression of their gratitude to Dr. Antonio Salazar, the Prime Minister for keeping Portugal out of the war, was unveiled here today.

The statue, representing a female figure, wearing a crown, was unveiled by a group of women of her kind.—Reuter.

## Belgrade Committee "To Help Greece"

Belgrade, Jan. 11.

The formation of a Yugoslav "Committee for Aid to the Greek People" which will launch immediately a nationwide drive to "collect clothing, footwear, foodstuffs and money" was announced in the Yugoslav Communist Party organ, Borba, today.

The new committee was formed in Belgrade yesterday on the initiative of the Central Committee of the United Trade Unions of Yugoslavia, the paper said.

Heading the new committee is M. Djuro Selaj, President of the Central Committee of Yugoslav Trade Unions, and the secretary is M. Milan Bodanovic, President of the Writers Association of Serbia and Yugoslav delegate to the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation.

The Yugoslav youth organisation, the "People's Youth," anti-Fascist Women's Front and well-known individuals will take part in the committee's work, Borba added.

The move to form the committee was first made in November at the Belgrade Conference of trade union representatives from Yugoslavia, Bulgaria and Albania.

A telegram was then sent to the World Federation of Trade Unions, suggesting a world-wide appeal for the formation of committees for moral and material aid to the Greek people.—Reuter.

## GIFT FOR PERON CELLAR

Buenos Aires, Jan. 12.

President Juan Peron has received 1,000 bottles of the best Spanish wine and liquor as a New Year gift from Generalissimo Francisco Franco of Spain, some of the wine was more than 100 years old.—Associated Press.

## Shanghai Fish Sale Accusation

Shanghai, Jan. 12.

The dispute between the Shanghai fish market and CNRRA Fishery Rehabilitation Administration broke out into the open again today with the market demanding investigations into the finance accounts of the ERA which, they charged, has "squandered" colossal amounts of money competing with private fishing enterprises.

The market claimed that UNRRA is neither rehabilitating nor relieving China's fisheries but instead competing and destroying them.

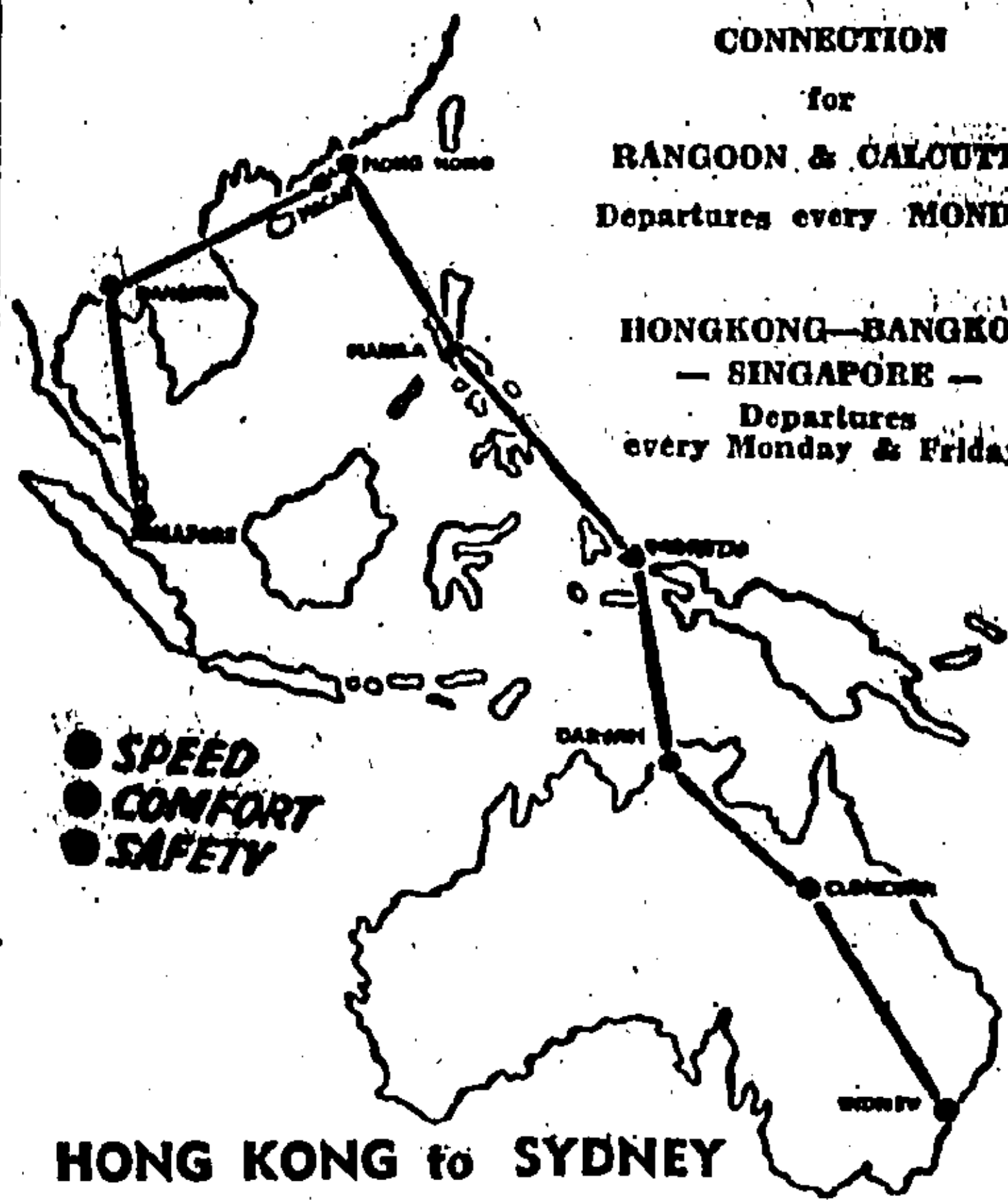
The Central Daily News, semi-official Government organ, maintained that the market is monopolistic and seeks to prevent UNRRA from selling cheap fish in Shanghai to relieve the acute food shortage. The paper said it hoped that the Government authorities investigating the dispute will have the interests of the vast majority of the people at heart. It charged the market with merely trying to keep prices up.—United Press.

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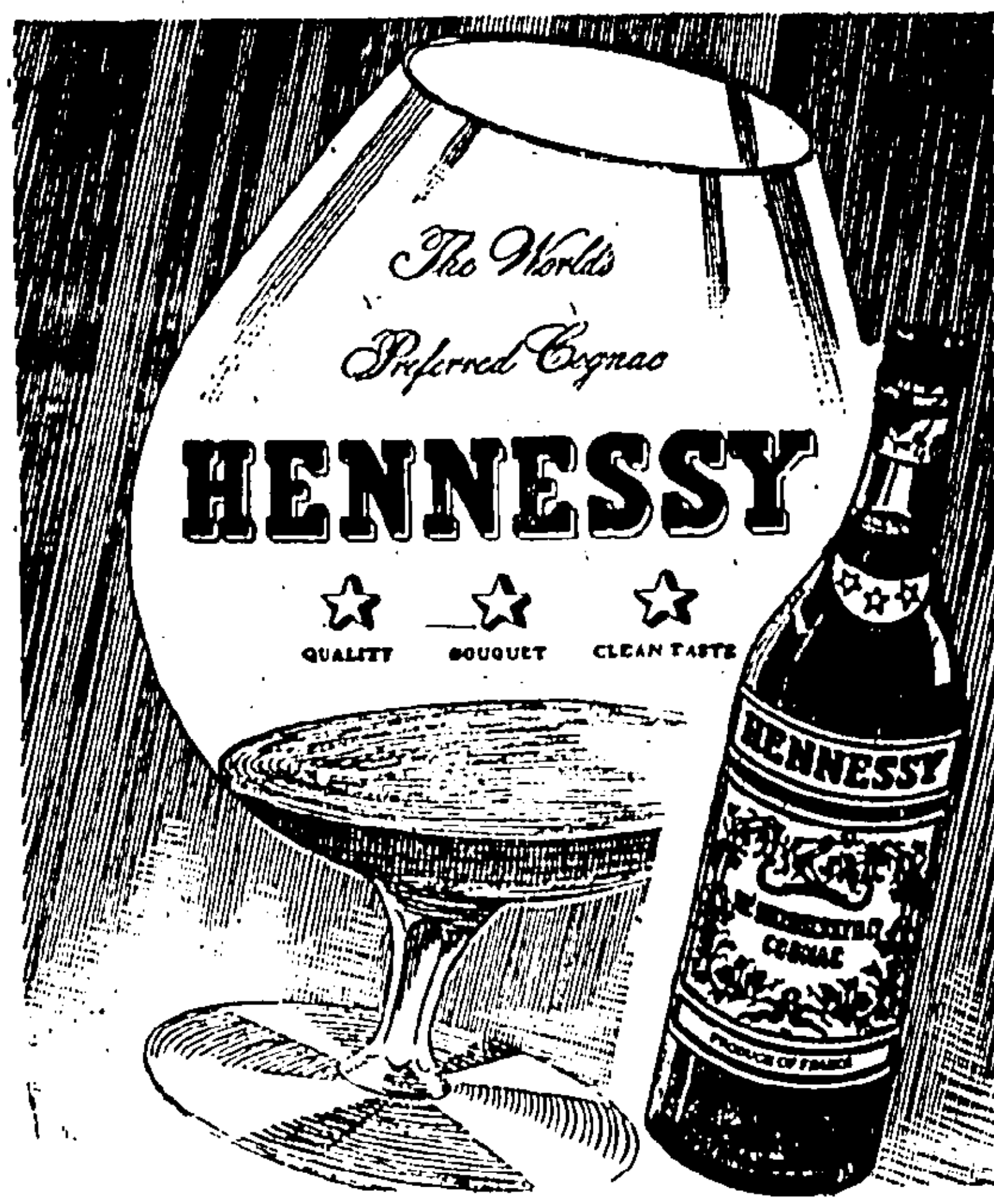
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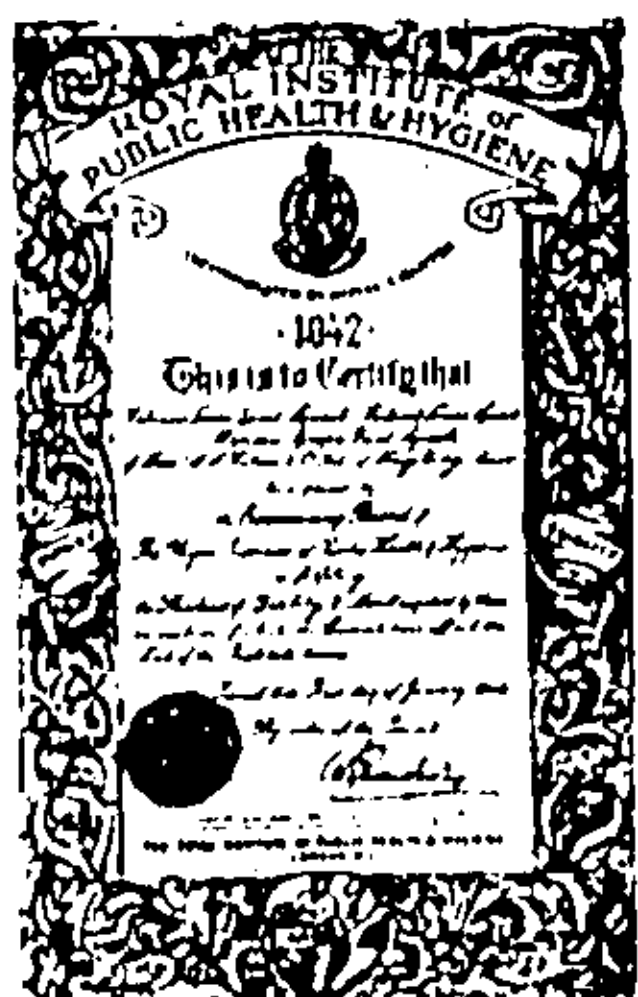
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## Mounting Tension And Grave Anxiety

### Rivalry Between East And West

Berlin, Jan. 12.

As mounting tension and grave anxiety add to the misery of the cold, hungry German population, Russia and the Western Powers face each other here in a waiting game of diplomatic and administrative moves which may determine whether there will be one Germany or two.

A false move by either side may split Germany irrevocably. Neither side wants to make a false move.

What turns the anxiety of Berliners into a form of anticipatory terror, and causes the tension to increase day by day is the thought that some move may be made which will not be accidental but careful and deliberate.

It might come as a result of a decision, either in Moscow or the West, that no further progress is possible through maintenance of the present ineffective quadripartite control machinery.

Any move that either side could consider an overt provocation is now regarded as certain to bring the break. It would be manifested officially in the withdrawal of one side from the Allied Control Council.

#### Inevitable?

There would then, inevitably, be an Eastern and a Western Germany.

Thousands believe that it will come within the next three or four weeks. Others give it until May. Optimists believe that the present uneasy condition will persist until the end of 1948.

But even allowing, with the best will in the world, that nobody wants to see the break, the majority of opinion in Berlin regard it as inevitable.

Russia has sounded the warning in the Soviet-controlled portion of the Berlin press. Any move in Berlin which the Russians could fasten on to as a violation of previous four-power agreements would bring immediate "consequences."

#### Breakers

The major breakers ahead, as far as the Western Powers are concerned, would be a move to include France into the present bi-zonal economic union to form a tri-zone, any moves which the Russians could interpret as converting the economic bi-zone into a new political structure for Western Germany, or any indication that Britain was lining up with the United States decision to halt further reparations delivered to Russia.

If any positive decision should be taken on any of these matters, Russia's counter-measure would be swift. It would most inevitably be an announcement that Russia considered the Control Council dissolved.

Berlin has already become the area of a "war of nerves". A daily spate of Soviet-licensed press statements designed to convince the German population that they will, soon be deserted by the West, and a succession of irritating plinkings designed, apparently, to goad the Western occupying powers and cause

them to "lose face" with the Germans, has convinced many observers that the Soviet authorities are taking deliberate steps to bring matters to a head.

German officials who have daily contact with Soviet administrative officers report that the Russians now openly display anger and impatience with their Western opposite members.

#### All The Cards

Before the break-up of the London conference, open reactions of this kind were not observed. The Russians meticulously adhered to the forms of diplomatic courtesy and even in their relations with German officials observed tactful discretion in their references to Americans and British.

If the break comes Berlin will be the first to feel it. Statements by General Lucius D. Clay and Sir Brian Robertson, American and British military governors, that the Western Powers intend to remain in Berlin, have been reiterated with what was probably a calming effect on a jittery Germany. But second thinkers in Berlin are stressing now that in a showdown over Berlin, the Russians hold all the cards.

Geographically, Berlin is set down in the heart of the Soviet Zone. By cutting the roads and railway lines and shutting off the power, light and water in the city's western sectors, the Soviet authorities could make the city very nearly uninhabitable for unwelcome British, French and Americans.

Nevertheless, the Western Powers hold two strong cards: a power cut-off could mean a halt in Ruhr coal deliveries to the Soviet Zone, with a blimp in Soviet-directed industry, and evacuation by the West would throw another million and a half people on to the hands of the Russians — another million and a half daily ration to supply.

#### Realistic

These practical considerations, would, it is argued, deter the realistic Russians from taking a drastic step.

But while realistic, the Soviet authorities have not always in the past been guided by the same logic as the rest of the world. Practically, too, it is pointed out, they could conceivably find sources of coal in the Eastern Zone mines in Silesia, or Poland, or further afield. And the problem of feeding another 1,500,000 would not put too great a tax on the agricultural resources of Eastern Germany, which is the richest farm country in the land.

One possibility which has gained some currency is that the Soviet authorities may fore-shadow the division of Germany by isolating their sector of Berlin and require identity cards to be held by all residents of the Soviet sector, so that they can check on East to West movements within the city. There are so many practical difficulties in the way of this scheme that it is believed not very likely to be adopted.

More frequently heard and with more apparent basis are reports that all, or at least part, of the German central administrations may be moved from Berlin to somewhere in the Soviet Zone, most probably Leipzig.—Reuter.

## Unrest Mounts In Kiangsu

Shanghai, Jan. 12.

Mrs. W. G. McLaughlin, wife of a member of the American advisory committee administering relief at Hanchow, in north Kiangsu Province, today reported that unrest was mounting in that area with threats of rioting and looting resulting from desperate economic conditions, floods and civil strife.

In a letter to Dr. Robert Henry, who is China director of the relief committee, the Presbyterian missionary's wife pictured stringent shortages in food, clothing and work which were daily increasing the suicide rate as a consequence.

The American advisory committee is the China agency for the Church World Service, representing 20 Protestant churches of America which distribute food, clothing and medicines, support welfare agencies and provide work projects through a network of local committees throughout China.—United Press.

## Painting From A P.O.W. Camp



Brushes made from his own hair and paint made by boiling down coloured backs of old books were the materials Corporal Charles Thrale of the Cambridgeshire Regiment used to paint pictures in a Japanese prison camp. The 38 pictures he brought back will be shown at the exhibition centre in Leicester Square, London, to provide money for widows and orphans of his comrades who died in captivity. Here Charles Thrale shows his six-year-old daughter, Doreen, one of the pictures he painted in the Japanese prison camp. Titled "After the Battle" it shows Allied troops on their way from Singapore to Changi P. O. W. camp. He painted this picture for an Australian P. O. W., who paid him a fee of one tin of corned beef. The picture is painted on a Japanese army form. (Associated Press Photo.)

## SJAHRIR NOT HOPEFUL OF SETTLEMENT IN INDONESIAN DISPUTE

Batavia, Jan. 12. Officials of the Indonesian Republic met yesterday in Jogjakarta to decide whether they would accept the proposals of the United Nations Good Offices Committee, with Dutch amendments, to make effective the United Nations cease fire order in the Dutch-Indonesian conflict.

## FIRST BRITISH COAL EXPORTS

Paris, Jan. 11. The first British coal cargo to Rotterdam since June 7, 1940, arrived there tonight in the 2,100-ton steamer Dashwood and unloading of the cargo, 2,600 tons of Welsh coal, was begun immediately. An official ceremony to commemorate the ship's arrival will be held tomorrow morning.—Reuter.

## ABORIGINES TO BE STUDIED

Washington, Jan. 12. Dr. Gilbert Grosvenor, President of the National Geographic Society, announced that the Society and the Smithsonian Institution would join with Australia in an expedition to Arnhemland, little known corner of Northern Australia, to study aborigines and their environment. The scientists will take the field at the close of the rainy season next March, and remain into October.—Associated Press.

## Wives And Children Leaving Palestine

Jerusalem, Jan. 12. Both air and water transportation officials reported heavy booking for passage out of Palestine today as the United Nations partition decision was announced.

Many British wives and children, who only rejoined their families here after nine months of exile in Britain, are now making arrangements to return to the United Kingdom within the next few months.

International airlines operating in Palestine also reported heavy demands for air bookings to Europe and the United States. Airline officials said: "Most of the applications for air passage are from Tel Aviv but they pointed out that there was a considerable backlog of waiting passengers in all Jewish cities because of the disruption of communications due to the present disturbances and the additional difficulty of getting Jews through temper-infested roads to the international airport at Lydda.

Wealthy Arabs planning to quit Palestine have been coming under editorial fire from the Arabic press here. "Traitor is the label for those who leave the Arab press says, and warned that their property would be seized.—Reuter.

Former Indonesian Premier Sutan Sjahrir said here before leaving for Jogjakarta that he was "not optimistic" about prospects for agreement.

He added, "Perhaps this is because I am not fully aware of the facts."

Premier Amir Sjarifuddin confirmed having said in an interview in Singapore that he considered war in Indonesia "probable," possibly in February.

The Dutch said that unless a definite answer to the proposals, details of which have not been disclosed, is received from the Republic by noon on Tuesday, they will consider the offer rejected. Dutch sources said that in that event, the Netherlands probably would withdraw from the U.N.-sponsored negotiations and intensify military action against armed Republican groups inside Dutch-claimed areas of Java and Sumatra.

Dutch military leaders were reported to have expressed the belief that peace could be restored in Indonesia only by capturing Jogjakarta, the Republican capital.

Indonesian President Soekarno and Vice-President Mohammed Hatta attended the Jogjakarta conference. Also present were the three members of the U.N. Committee—Dr. Frank P. Graham representing the United States, Richard C. Kirby for Australia and Paul van Zeeland for Belgium.

Meanwhile, the Dutch are proceeding with formation of an interim Government embracing Indonesian territory over which they claim control. This includes all of the islands except Central and South Central Java, Western Sumatra and the Sumatran highland interior.—Associated Press.

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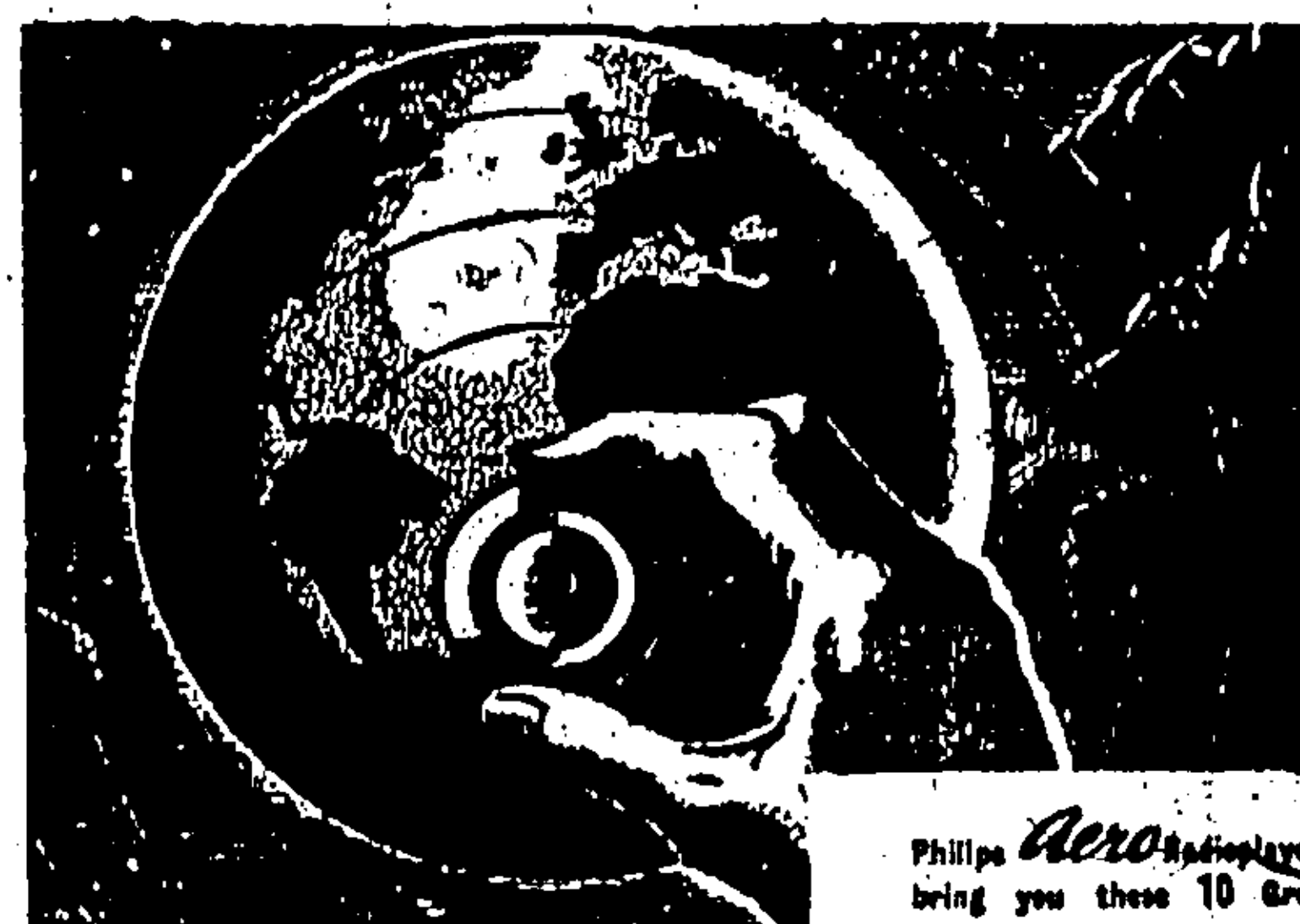
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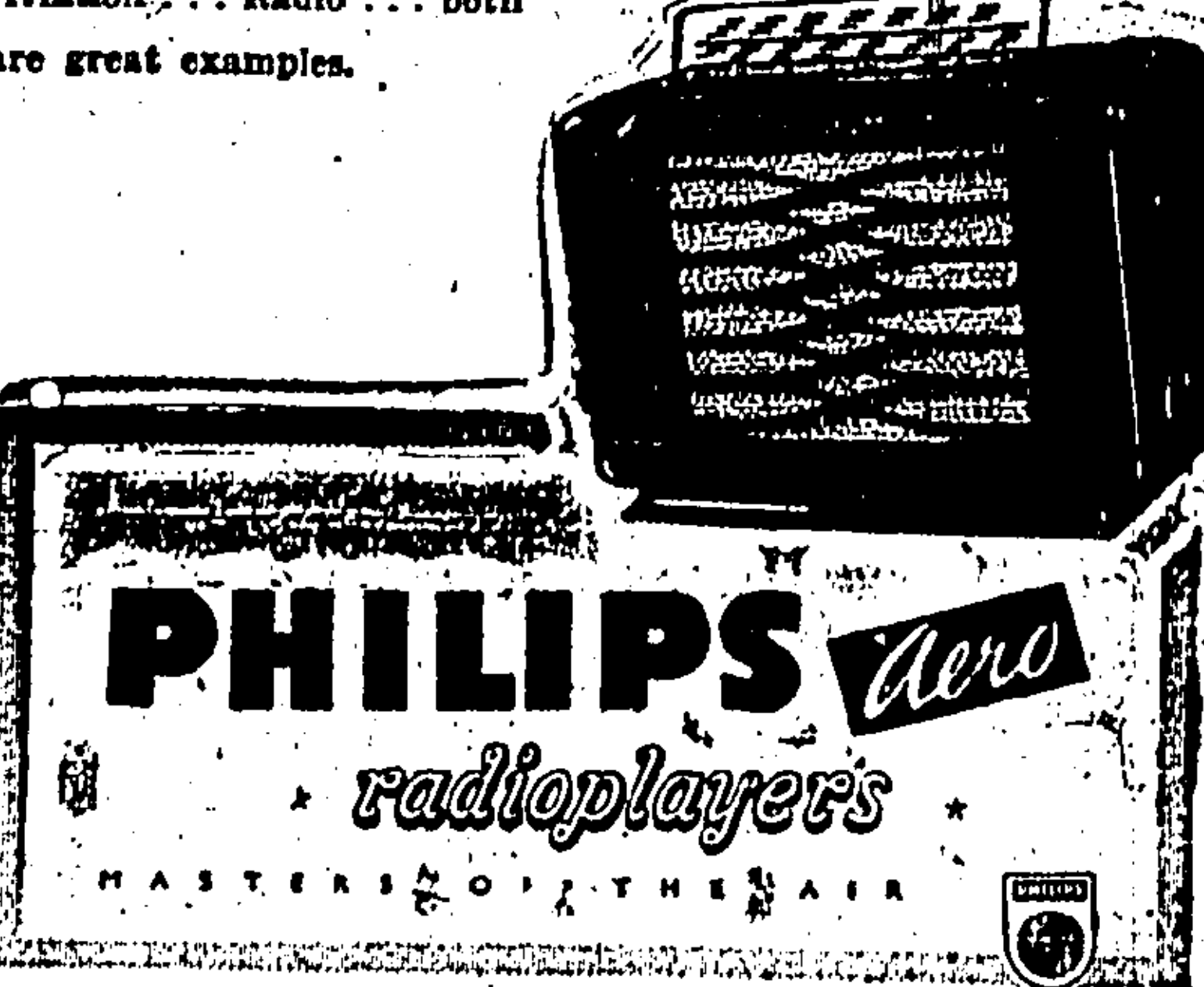
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## ARAB ARMIES IN GALILEE

### Disciplined Force In A Month's Time

Jerusalem, Jan. 12.

A Palestinian Arab guerrilla army is now undergoing extensive training in mountain strongholds near Samaria and Galilee to be ready to go into action as a disciplined force in about a month's time, Seagham Maynes, Reuters special correspondent, was told by Arab leaders tonight at an Arab guerrilla mountain headquarters in Palestine.

Thousands of armed men of fighting age have left the towns to join the mountain columns. The completion of their training under non-commissioned officers who have served in the British Army was expected to coincide with the arrival of Fawzi Bey Kaoukji, the legendary Arab leader reported to be preparing to drive across the Syrian border into Palestine.

This invasion of thousands of Syrian-trained and well-armed Arab fighters was expected to be the signal for the start of large-scale organized fighting for the mastery of Palestine.

### THEY NAMED HIM ANTARCTIC

Moscow, Jan. 12. Alexandra Akimovna Leonava, waitress on the headquarters and factory ship, Slava One, of the whale hunting flotilla, gave birth to a son somewhere in the Antarctic on Jan. 6, it was announced today.

The waitress, who is making her second trip with the flotilla, is the wife of a veteran seaman who is also on the expedition.

The child was named Antarctic Emmanuel Keshelav.—United Press.

## Campaign Against The Huks

MANILA, JAN. 12. AN INTENSIFIED MILITARY CAMPAIGN AGAINST COLONEL LUIS TARUC, LEADER OF SOME 200,000 ARMED PEASANTS OF THE INDEPENDENT HUKBULAHAP (LEFT WING GUERRILLA) MOVEMENT IN CENTRAL LUZON, WAS ORDERED TODAY BY THE MINISTER OF THE INTERIOR, SENOR JOSE ZULUETA.

(The main demand of the Hukbuhap—who have been operating against the Government since early 1946—is agrarian reform. They were recognised by the United States authorities during the war and were reported to have done excellent guerrilla work against the Japanese).

Commenting on a "non-surrender" message given by the guerrilla chief to a correspondent of the Manila Chronicle this morning, Senor Zulueta stressed that his Government will insist on the guerrilla leader's unconditional surrender.

The Minister called on the "Huk" chieftain to reform his movement to conform with the Philippine constitution and in this way to help bring about a proper solution to their problems.—Reuters.

## Russian Bishops On Trial

San Francisco, Jan. 12. Metropolitan Theophilus, North American head of the Russian Orthodox Catholic Church, said today that a trial of his associates by the Church's Holy Synod in Moscow would "not affect the life of our Church."

His statement was made after Tass News Agency reported from Moscow that the Holy Synod had decided to try the Metropolitan, an Archbishop and four bishops, for "violating the decisions of the Cleveland Congress" of 1946 for the return of the American Church to communion with Moscow.

A spokesman for the Metropolitan said: "We have been autonomous since 1924 and our Church in the United States is 155 years old."—Associated Press.

### HE DESIGNED WELLINGTONS

London, Jan. 12. Reginald K. Plar, designer of Britain's Wellington bomber in World War II, died today, aged 62.

## "The Naked Truth" Beauty Contest



Madame Henriette Kernis, who presented herself completely naked at a beauty contest in Nice, got away with a suspended fine from a judge who carefully examined a picture of her disrobed. Her lawyer pleaded she was "a work of art." The judge, however, dismissed a motion for a closed session in which the defence wanted to demonstrate the bare facts of the case. Photo shows Madame Henriette Kernis seated, naked before a mirror. At her side is her husband, a lampshade manufacturer. Original of wirephoto from Paris. (Associated Press Photo.)

## French Objection To Anglo-U.S. Plan For Germany

Washington, Jan. 12.

French objections to the latest British-American decision on administering the Anglo-American zones of Germany may hamper efforts of the western powers to consolidate all of Western Germany into a single economic and political unit.

Evidence of French disapproval of the new Anglo-American move to set up a German administration under the merged British-United States zones, apparently without consulting the French, developed rapidly not only in Paris but also in London and Washington.

French Ambassador Henri Bonnet is expected to register his Government's protest with the State Department early next week.

In London, a Foreign Office spokesman disclosed that Ambassador Rene Massigli had already called on Foreign Secretary Bevin and expressed concern that France has not been

consulted about the British-American decision.

#### Apprehension

In Paris, Foreign Ministry officials reported that the Ambassadors in both London and Washington had already expressed French apprehension at the formation of the economic regime.

French diplomatic informants here said that following the breakdown of the London Foreign Ministers Conference which sought a four-power agreement on Germany, the French had understood that talks would be held in Berlin between their officials and American Commander General Lucius Clay and the British zonal chief, General Brian Robertson.

The obvious implication, French officials here contended, was that pending such talks, the United States and Britain would stave off any two-way decision on what they wanted to do in Western Germany.—Associated Press.

## Funeral Of Ship Sinking Victims

Amsterdam, Jan. 12. Norwegians living in Holland today attended the funeral service here for the victims of the Skohaug, the 1950-ton vessel which sank after an explosion on Christmas Day.

The service was held at the Martin Luther church, where the bodies of 10 of the 20 victims were lying covered with Norwegian flags.

A Norwegian Merchant Navy chaplain conducted the service, which was attended by Mr. J. Bullen, Norwegian Minister to the Netherlands.

The 10 coffins left this afternoon for Rotterdam, from where they will be taken to Norway in a Norwegian ship.—Reuters.

## MEAT RATIONING IN U.S.

Washington, Jan. 12. A flat forecast that Congress will enact stand-by authority to ration meat came today from Senator Sparkman, Alabama Democrat.

"High prices and the shortage of meat supplies this spring will force us to act," Sparkman told the Senate. Sparkman, however, planned no open hearings on the general subject of rationing.—Associated Press.

## All Not Well In The Arab Camp: Clash Of Leaders

Cairo, Jan. 12.

Now that the Arab League has virtually decided to defy the United Nations decision to partition Palestine, competent observers here are asking themselves how far the Arab League can actually go in carrying out its own secret decisions to thwart the creation of a Jewish State in the Holy Land.

A prominent Egyptian in close touch with Arab League affairs told Reuters in an interview during which he reviewed the work of the Arab Premier during their recent secret talks in Cairo that in spite of official denials, "it remains a fact that the Arab nations are still far from having achieved the unity of purpose required to enforce concerted and harmonious action, and without this unity all Arab League decisions will simply lose their sting."

This Egyptian said that the present divergencies among the Arab States did not, as was commonly reported in the foreign press, centre on the problem of the Greater Syria plan, "which appears to have been shelved for the moment" but rather on the "conflict of personalities" now in the limelight.

#### Ex-Mufti

The conflict involves, more particularly, Haj Amin El Husseini, the ex-Mufti of Jerusalem, now in Beirut and tipped as the head of the first Palestine Arab government, and Fawzi Bey Kaoukji, the Palestinian leader who is now in Damascus and tipped as the overall commander.

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| From                           | Date      | Vessel             |
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| For                            | Date      | Vessel             |
| San Francisco & Los Angeles    | 19th Jan. | m.v. "ANDAMAN"     |
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## U.S. PRESSURE ON NANKING Meeting Terms For Long-Range U.S. Aid Conditions Laid Down For Help

Shanghai, Jan. 12. The United States is gradually bringing stronger pressure to bear on China to meet its terms for long-range aid and the Chinese Government has launched a trial balloon programme of its own in an attempt to influence American action.

An authoritative source disclosed that the State Department, through some official channels, but mainly through unofficial "off the record" conversations with high Chinese personages both in Nanking and Washington, is laying down the premises upon which it will agree to ask Congress for funds for China.

These conditions, among others, according to this source, include a definite blueprint for assistance for Chinese farmers and small industries, a democratisation programme within the Chinese army and a realistic system whereby United States representatives would share equally with the Chinese in administering a general programme from start to finish.

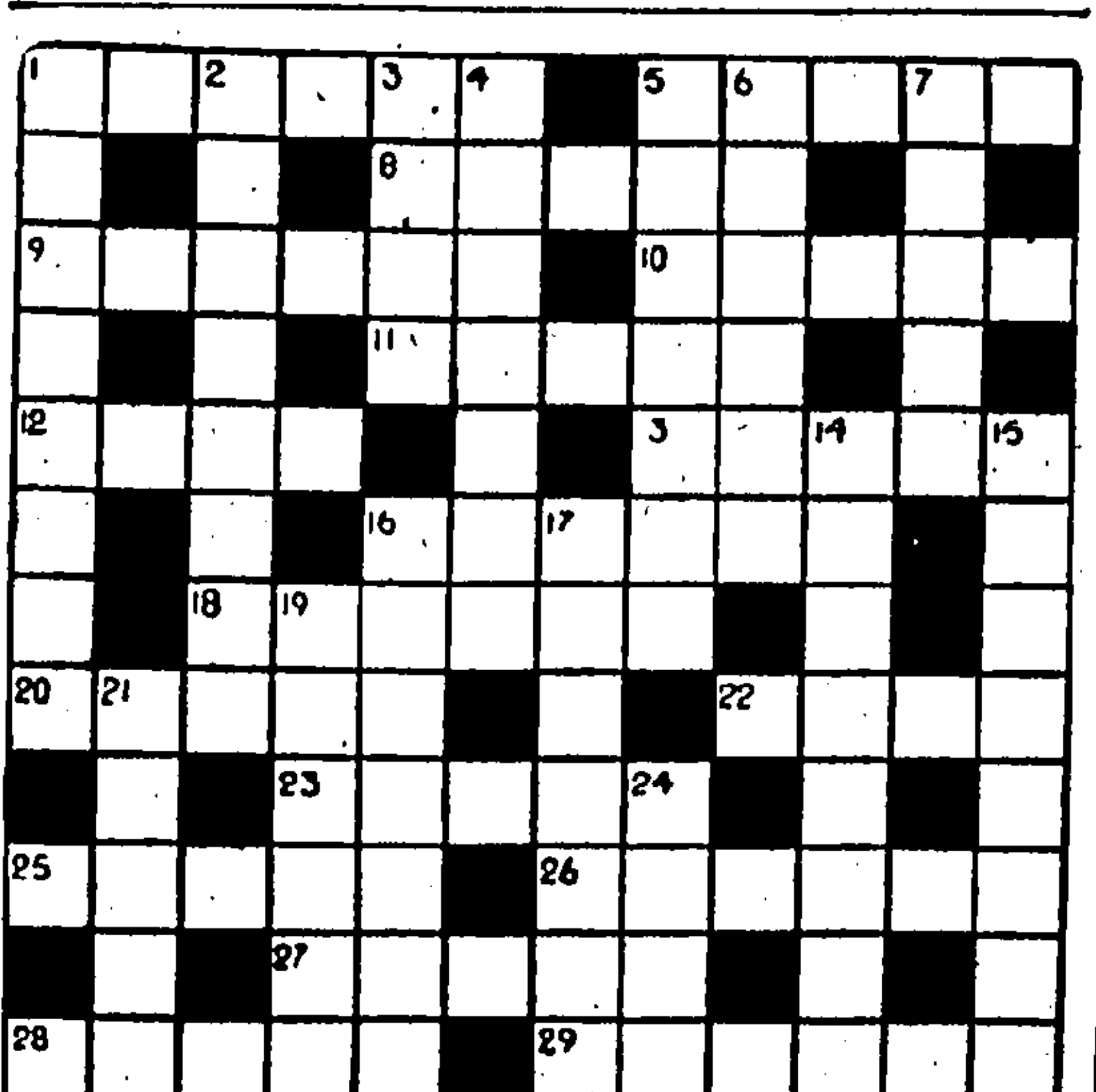
At the same time the United States is making efforts to learn how far they can go on in using the aid programme as a lever in prying the Chinese Government loose from its attitude on the Japanese peace treaty.

The Chinese Government, this source pointed out, is beginning to counter with an outbreak of "hins" that Nanking sees the necessity for some reforms which the United States will formally propose when actual negotiations commence. Chief among these, he pointed out, was an address made by former Chinese Vice-Premier, Dr. H. H. Kung, before the Far East American Council of Commerce and Industry.

**Kung Plan**  
Dr. Kung is one-time Finance Minister and brother-in-law of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek. His stature as one of the political rulers of China has not altered recently despite widespread attacks from many sides, particularly the American press.

Dr. Kung advocated currency reorganisation measures to increase national production, the elimination of waste and an end to the flight of capital from China. He added that he supported modernisation of the rural economy—one of the main points Washington is expected to demand.

### A BRITISH CROSS WORD PUZZLE



| Clues Across           |                       |  |
|------------------------|-----------------------|--|
| 1 Run away.            | 16 Grave.             |  |
| 5 Rhythmic movement.   | 18 Inclined.          |  |
| 8 Projecting edges.    | 20 Dirt.              |  |
| 9 Surgical instrument. | 22 Opera singer.      |  |
| 10 Sugary solution.    | 23 Scholar.           |  |
| 11 Track.              | 24 Fat.               |  |
| 12 Profound.           | 26 Lubricating.       |  |
| 13 Wrecks.             | 27 Express gratitude. |  |
|                        | 28 Wearies.           |  |
|                        | 29 Unruffled.         |  |

| Clues Down              |                 |  |
|-------------------------|-----------------|--|
| 1 Deceiving.            | for milk.       |  |
| 2 Bit of colour.        | 14 Penetrating. |  |
| 3 Encounter.            | 15 Throttle.    |  |
| 4 Lever of his country. | 16 Detectives.  |  |
| 5 Wanted.               | 17 Armies.      |  |
| 6 Refugee.              | 19 Ascribe.     |  |
| 7 Container.            | 21 Proportion.  |  |
|                         | 24 Similar.     |  |

| Yesterday's Crossword                                                                                                                                                       |  |  |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|--|
| Across—3 Scum, 7 Greet, 8 Epic, 9 Sags, 10 Omnibus, 12 Sew, 15 Dudes, 18 Pets, 19 Aroma, 21 Adore, 22 Stem, 23 Rapid, 26 Dope.                                              |  |  |
| Down—1 Tramp, 2 Meander, 4 Cease, 5 Mess, 6 Rife, 9 Suda, 11 Ower, 13 Loom, 14 Weak, 16 Satin, 17 Hard, 18 Pomp, 20 Reduced, 22 Spin, 24 Amass, 25 Debut, 27 Omit, 28 Edge. |  |  |

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## U.S. PLANT FOR SCOTLAND

Glasgow, Jan. 12. Industrial sources said that one of the Remington Rand plants at Bridgeport, Connecticut, is being shipped to Glasgow to manufacture typewriters and electric razors.

One purpose of the project, which has the approval of the Board of Trade, is to make products for which Britain will not have to pay in dollars. The sources said production would begin within three months—Associated Press.

## Chinese Mission To Washington

Shanghai, Jan. 12. The Chinese technical mission to the United States, headed by Mr. Pei Tsu-wei, will leave here for America on Jan. 14.

Upon arrival here yesterday from Nanking, Mr. Pei immediately went into conference with Mr. Chung Chiao-ngau, Governor of the Central Bank of China, on plans for American aid. The mission chief also talked to financial and business leaders.

Various reforms in China's finance and economy, drafted under the personal direction of President Chiang Kai-shek, will be presented to the United States Government for reference by the mission for formulation of a quick and effective aid programme for China—Central News.

## Money Market

Gold opened yesterday at \$306 a tael, and in the next hectic three hours rates flew up and down between \$295.25 and \$307. Tension calmed down in the afternoon, and the market closed at \$304.50.

Piastres opened at \$11.90 and closed at \$11.95 a 100 in another day of quiet trading.

Chinese National Currency futures opened at 32½ cents, went to 33 cents and closed at 32 cents for CN\$10,000.

Spot was unchanged the whole day at 33 cents.

Ticals and NEI Guilders were quoted at \$26.50 and \$27.00 a 100 respectively.

U.S. dollars declined to \$4.87½. Sterling was firmer at \$13.45. Australian pounds were again unchanged at \$12.51.

In Shanghai yesterday (cables Reuter) the open market rates were quoted at CN\$112,000 (buyers) and CN\$115,000 (sellers) for the U.S. dollar, and CN\$370,000 (buyers) and CN\$380,000 (sellers) for Sterling.

## Film Dispute Deadlock

London, Jan. 12. Sir Henry French, Director-General of the British Film Producers Association, said he saw no immediate prospect of breaking the deadlock on import of American films, banned by U.S. producers after Britain imposed a 16 per cent tax on them last August.

"There is no hope of this deadlock ending until the leaders of the American industry are prepared to open negotiations on the foundation that we cannot afford US\$50,000,000 a year on American films, and they must be content with less," Sir Henry said in an interview.

Eric Johnston, President of the Motion Picture Association of America, announced in Hollywood that the British Government "second firm on the tax and summarily rejected in principle any alternative."—Associated Press.

To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

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C. Light (New) 194n  
H.K. Electric (Old) 51½, 52½, 52½n

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Dairy Farms Rights 41½, 42n  
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China Entertainments 84½n  
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## SHIP AGROUND

The Hague, Jan. 11. The Danish steamer, Wm. Th. Malling (1,800 tons) ran aground today on the Lauwersrond Sandbank, near Scietmonnikoog Island, north-east Holland.

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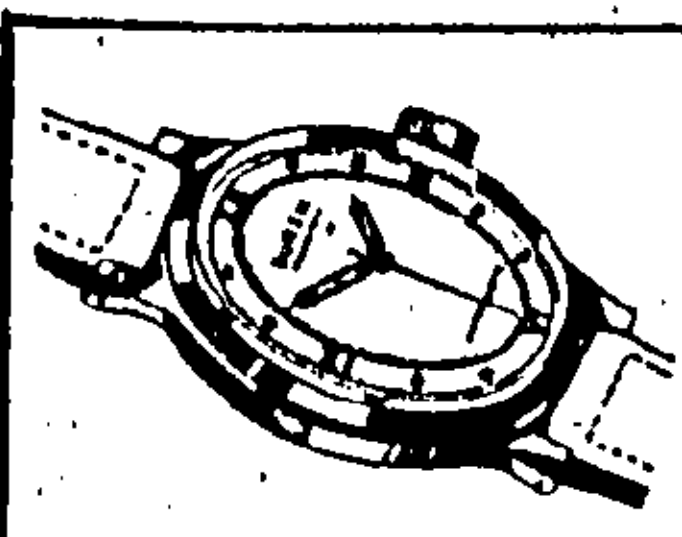
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## POWERFUL WILDCATS GO DOWN TO ACES

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Madcap Aces' stock sky-rocketed as they downed the powerful Wildcats 10-7 on Sunday behind the superb mound performance of Margie Xavier who limited the opposition to only six scattered singles while her team-mates collected nine safeties off Wildcat hurler Lefty Dolly Brown.

Buster Hollands, who had just taken over managerial duties for the Aces, put the hex on Wildcat—pennant hopes by starting Margie Xavier on the slab, in the belief that if Margie could beat the Untamed Felines once, she could do it again. It was a hunch, but it paid dividends!

The Wildcats were the first to break into the scoring column as Dolly Brown romped over the platter on a single, a steal and Edie Babida's timely hit. In the Aces' turn with the bat, Margie Xavier beat out a bunt but ran into a double killing as Teresa Baptista crossed up a "big and run" play by popping out to Dolly Brown. Inez Soares next fanned the breeze and a big goose egg decorated the runs column for the Aces. The next three chapters were air-tight affairs as brilliant pitching by Margie, backed by sparkling fielding, blanked the Wildcats. The Ace equisider dented the rubber, when Girlie Gann was given a life on a wild heave to first and Celly Gutierrez' grounder, for the score to be dead-locked one-all at the end of the third.

### Break

The tension broke in the fourth when the Aces loaded the sacks with two down on Wildcat Peggy Barros' fumble and two successive free passes to first. Melvie Campos strode up to the platter and after looking over two strikes (three to some people) slashed the third one out to left field where an expensive error of losing the ball, saw Melvie following closely behind in the parade of four Ace runs. The rout didn't stop there as Bernie Remedios also scored on a hit and a fielder's choice. When finally Wildcat receiver Edie Babida froze Inez Soares' foul fly for the third out, five runs were added.

Undaunted, the Untamed Felines staged an uprising in the fifth with a three-run attack moulded around a couple of hits and a pair of walks, but the Aces increased their lead in their half of the inning with another tally on Girlie Gann's three-bagger and Alec Mendonza's sacrifice; and to put the game on ice the Aces notched up a further trio of tallies in their last turn of the sixth.

The Wildcats executed the only double-killing of the fracas in the first chapter when Dolly

Brown and Peggy Barros of Wildcats erased Margie Xavier and Teresa Baptista. Margie Xavier in allowing six hits, fanned four and walked two, while Lefty Dolly Brown who was nipped for nine blows whiffed six and passed two to first on balls.

Batting honours go to Lefty Dolly Brown who had a perfect afternoon at the plate with a three in three attempt, which included a two-bagger, but it was Madcap Girlie Gann who slugged in the longest blow with a smasher which rolled out of the park for a three-base hit. Girlie had already crossed the plate when Umpire Don Robbins waved her back to third, as only a three-base hit according to the new ground rules. Hard luck, Girlie! Teresa Baptista also paced Girlie Gann with a three-bagger and both of them had a single to go with their efforts.

In the sixth frame, Wildcat Edie Babida suffered an eye injury off a foul tip from Girlie Gann's bludgeon. But what's the use, these girls never heard of a mask.

### Line Scores

| WILDCATS       | AB        | R        | H        | PO        | A        | E        |
|----------------|-----------|----------|----------|-----------|----------|----------|
| Ribeiro, H.    | 4         | 0        | 0        | 3         | 2        | 2        |
| Brown, D.      | 3         | 2        | 3        | 1         | 2        | 0        |
| Watson, T.     | 4         | 1        | 1        | 0         | 0        | 1        |
| Baptista, T.   | 3         | 0        | 1        | 1         | 1        | 0        |
| Motta, C.      | 3         | 0        | 0        | 0         | 0        | 1        |
| Oliveria, R.   | 2         | 0        | 0        | 0         | 0        | 0        |
| Silva, T.      | 2         | 0        | 0        | 1         | 0        | 1        |
| Harro, P.      | 2         | 1        | 0        | 0         | 0        | 1        |
| Lima, A.       | cf, 3     | 1        | 0        | 0         | 0        | 0        |
| Figueiredo, M. | cf, 3     | 1        | 0        | 0         | 0        | 0        |
| <b>Runs</b>    | <b>10</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>7</b> | <b>16</b> | <b>6</b> | <b>7</b> |
| <b>Hits</b>    | <b>20</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>2</b> | <b>0</b>  | <b>2</b> | <b>6</b> |

| MADCAP ACES   | AB        | R        | H        | PO        | A        | E        |
|---------------|-----------|----------|----------|-----------|----------|----------|
| Xavier, M.    | 4         | 1        | 2        | 0         | 4        | 2        |
| Baptista, T.  | 3         | 1        | 2        | 3         | 3        | 0        |
| Soares, I.    | 3         | 1        | 0        | 1         | 1        | 0        |
| Gann, G.      | 2         | 0        | 2        | 1         | 3        | 1        |
| Mendonza, A.  | 2         | 0        | 1        | 0         | 3        | 1        |
| Gutierrez, C. | 2         | 1        | 0        | 0         | 0        | 0        |
| Remedios, H.  | 2         | 1        | 0        | 0         | 0        | 0        |
| Soares, I.    | 2         | 1        | 0        | 0         | 0        | 0        |
| Silva, S.     | 1         | 1        | 1        | 0         | 0        | 0        |
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| <b>Hits</b>   | <b>10</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>3</b> | <b>1</b>  | <b>4</b> | <b>2</b> |

Runs Batted In: Watson, Baptista, Soares I., Mendonza, Soares M., Stolen Bases: Brown S., Baptista S., Lima S., Figueiredo, Xavier, Soares I., Mendonza, Soares M.

Three-base hits: Gann, Baptista. Two-base hits: Brown. Double-play: Brown to Soares in 1st. Struck-out: Brown 4, Brown 5.

First on Bases off: Xavier S., Brown 2. Passed Balls: Baptista S., Baptista 2. Left on Bases: Wildcat 5, Aces 6.

Time of Play: 1 hr. 30 mins. Umpires: Robbins, Rob. Remedios, Ramon Castro, Soares: Hal Winglee.

### Wahoos Win

Erratic play spoilt Alice Mar's brilliant performance on the mound as the Maple Leafers were subdued 8-1 by the powerful Wahoos despite the fact that Alice had accounted for a dozen Owls via the strike-out route. The victors were only able to connect Alice for seven bingles while Owl ace hurler Terry Noronha limited the Canuckettes to five safeties. It was not a game in which slugging was evident, but one in which tight fielding held down the frequent threats. In this department the Wahoos excelled with a three error display whereas the Maple Leafers committed 10 miscues. The only extra base hit was registered by Wahoo short-stop par excellence Irene Castilho who poled out a clothes-line screamer to centre for a round-tripper. Both Ulla Khoo and Maude Wong from the Maple Leafers were good for two safeties apiece.

Irene Castilho was practically a one-girl team as she hauled down every fly that went behind hurler Terry Noronha in addition to scooping up everything that was headed for the windy alley. She also initiated and completed the only twin-killing in the tussle when she rifled Ulla Khoo's blazing grounder to Hilda Soares at first which was relayed to third where Irene nailed Mary Ng.

### Box Scores

| Wahoos       | AB        | R        | H        | PO        | A        | E        |
|--------------|-----------|----------|----------|-----------|----------|----------|
| Castilho, I. | 4         | 1        | 2        | 0         | 3        | 1        |
| Khoo, U.     | 3         | 1        | 0        | 1         | 1        | 0        |
| Wong, M.     | 3         | 1        | 0        | 1         | 1        | 0        |
| Soares, H.   | 3         | 1        | 0        | 1         | 1        | 0        |
| Ng, M.       | 3         | 1        | 0        | 1         | 1        | 0        |
| Remedios, H. | 3         | 1        | 0        | 1         | 1        | 0        |
| Soares, I.   | 3         | 1        | 0        | 1         | 1        | 0        |
| Silva, S.    | 3         | 1        | 0        | 1         | 1        | 0        |
| <b>Runs</b>  | <b>10</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>7</b> | <b>16</b> | <b>6</b> | <b>7</b> |
| <b>Hits</b>  | <b>10</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>3</b> | <b>1</b>  | <b>4</b> | <b>2</b> |

Runs Batted In: Watson, Baptista, Soares I., Mendonza, Soares M., Stolen Bases: Brown S., Baptista S., Lima S., Figueiredo, Xavier, Soares I., Mendonza, Soares M.

## The Mind's Eye



He painted a child he had never seen. Brushes made from his own hair and paint made by boiling down coloured backs of old books were the materials Corporal Charles Thrale of the Cambridgeshire Regiment used to paint pictures in a Japanese prison camp.

The 25 pictures he brought back will be shown next week at the exhibition centre in Leicester Square, London, to provide money for widows and orphans of his comrades who died in captivity.

Photo shows: Charles Thrale compares his six-year-old daughter, Doreen (back) whilst he was in the Japanese prison

camp) with a painting (centre) of his child which he did whilst a prisoner. He did not know the sex of his child at the time he executed his painting, and when he saw his daughter for the first time on his return to England he was agreeably surprised at her likeness to his impressionist work.—A-Photo.

## Mystery Of "Dvina" Grows Deeper

Tokyo, Jan. 12.

Confusion regarding the position and destination of the Russian ship "Dvina", which is still under tow by Soviet Patrol Ship No. 30, continued after efforts by American Naval Operations to obtain information on salvage plans.

The Soviet Embassy notified U.S. Naval Headquarters for the Far East that it believed the "Dvina" might not be able to reach the intended destination port of Hakodate, Hokkaido, and probably would be brought to the "nearest land".

The Embassy told Headquarters it was unable to tell definitely where that would be and was uncertain of the "Dvina's" present position.

It announced, however, that passengers who were taken off the stricken ship would be taken to Vladivostok.

American operations officers have had no direct communication with the "Dvina" or the patrol boat and all United States and Japanese-managed vessels have been withdrawn from the scene.

The Soviet Embassy had previously reported that the "Dvina" was being towed toward the Tugaryu Straits between Hokkaido and Honshu.

### Podolsk Rescue

Meanwhile, Shanghai reports that all officers and crews were rescued when the Soviet ship Podolsk suddenly sank off Amherst Rock, 48 miles from Wosung, according to United States Navy information today.

Denying earlier Chinese reports that the ship was towed into Shanghai harbour, United States navy sources said that the Russian ship came off the rock yesterday afternoon for the first time since running

aground on Friday, only to "sink bodily" into the sea.

All officers and men were safely transferred to another Soviet vessel which was standing by with the pilot ship of the Shanghai Pilots' Association, shortly before the Podolsk sank—when leaks in the battered hull increased and there appeared little hope of saving the ship.

The Podolsk was proceeding to Vladivostok with no passengers and only water ballast when she ran aground on Amherst Rock.—United Press and Reuter.

### "WAR DEAD" SHIP CATCHES FIRE

New York, Jan. 12.

The US transport Joseph V. Connolly, carrying 5,000 empty caskets to bring war dead back from Europe, was afire, helpless and abandoned 900 miles east of here today.

Army sources said the rescue of the 44 men who had taken to lifeboats appeared imminent.

The steamship, Morrison R. Waite, reported she was 10 miles away two hours after the Connolly's first call for immediate help was intercepted here.

She was one of several ships steaming to the rescue.

The 7,000-ton Connolly carried one army officer passenger in addition to her crew.—Associated Press.

## A.F.P. Battle With Correspondent

Moscow, Jan. 12.

The Soviet trade union newspaper, Trud, today published a letter from a group of Moscow foreign correspondents protesting against the withdrawal order sent by the Agence France Presse to M. Jean Champenols, its Moscow correspondent, for publishing a letter on political issues, Tass, the official Soviet News Agency, reported.

In the letter, which was published by the French Communist newspaper, Humanite, M. Champenols congratulated and defended Colonel Raymond Marquier, former head of the French Repatriation Mission in Moscow, who was recalled for criticism of the French attitude in deporting Soviet citizens.

M. Champenols rejected the agency's order to return, declaring that there were "no grounds for it".

Trud declared that foreign correspondents in Moscow had requested the International Association of Journalists to defend the rights of their colleagues.

The Agence France Presse today renewed its instructions to correspondents "not to indulge in polemics" after dismissing yesterday M. Champenols.

Colonel Marquier's remarks were understood to refer to the French raid on the Soviet repatriation camp at Beauregard, near Paris, where troops and police discovered an armory, and to the exchange of diplomatic notes which led to the withdrawal by both sides of their repatriation missions.

The Agence France Presse have insisted, Mr. Champenols, that they considered that the failure of the right of assembly to a repatriation mission.

## BROWN TAKES FANLING CAPTAIN'S CUP

**McMullen Failed In Putting**

N. A. Brown had one of his "on" days on Saturday, E. T. McMullen couldn't find his putting touch and that, in a nutshell, is the story behind the play for the right of ownership of the Captain's Cup 1947.

Bad putting lapses by McMullen on the 8th and 9th enabled Brown to turn two up and before 'the champ' could eliminate the trouble Brown had added another two holes and a long putt at the 15th clinched a 4-3 win. Congratulations to the winner on playing a stout game (approx 70) and acquiring a handsome piece of silver.

The competition last week for a place in the 1948 Captain's Cup match play was very close and E. P. Stratfield and W. O. Davies tied with net 72. They will play off by mutual arrangement. On the New Course, competition was not quite so keen and only one card was returned. F. W. Verel 104-24, 80 had the courage of his convictions and so qualified.

It is most pleasing to record that slowly but surely more and more people are remembering the way out to Fanling. There was a very good crowd this week-end and although the breeze was tricky, underfoot conditions were excellent.

### Entries

The response to the entry lists for the mixed foursomes knock-out tournament has been most gratifying to date, and quite a number of ladies are understood to be taking cards out to secure the necessary qualification of a post-war handicap. Remember, husbands, you have until Jan. 24 to persuade your wives to play!

The Bogey Pool competition scheduled for the New Course this coming week-end has been transferred to the Old Course. Players when signing off caddies are requested to ensure that clubs, etc. are handed in to the caddy master by the side window and thus avoid congestion in the doorway.

### Hazards

Someone asks about the proviso regarding water hazards and lost balls which was mentioned last week. Rule 27 says "If a ball lie or be lost in a recognised water hazard (where

## Shanghai Interport Here February 8

At a meeting of the Interport Committee of the Hong Kong Football Association, it was revealed that the Shanghai Interport team would arrive in Hong Kong on February 8.

Games against Hong Kong Combined Chinese and Non-Chinese will be played. Prices of admission will be \$10, \$5 and \$3.50.

The following were appointed members of the Entertainment Committee: Messrs. Mok Ying, L. Louey, Aw Ho, Lee Wai-long and W. E. Holland.

her the ball lie in water or not) or in casual water in a hazard the player may drop a ball, under penalty of one stroke either (a) behind the hazard keeping the spot at which the ball crossed the margin of the hazard, between himself and the hole or (b) in the hazard again keeping the spot etc, etc.

If the ball was played from the teeing ground a ball may, under penalty of one stroke, be teed and played from the teeing ground. Apply these rulings to the 12th and 16th holes of the New Course, a simple matter, and you have the answers as far as Fanling is concerned.

### FRANCE WINS

Paris, Jan. 11. France beat Australia by 13 points to 6 in a Rugby Union International here today.—Reuter.

Paris, Jan. 11.

London University gained an easy victory against Paris University in a cross-country match here today by taking the first six places. First home, in 25 minutes 37.1/5 second, was R. Briggs of London.—Reuter.

## Charity Cup Fixtures

At the meeting of the League Management Committee of the Hong Kong Football Association held yesterday it was announced that Scandinavia have withdrawn from the International Charity Cup Competition.

The draw for the International and Memorial Cup competitions is regarded as final.

**INTERNATIONAL**  
Ireland v. China to be played on Jan. 31 on Navy ground.

The winner to play Portugal in the final.

**MEMORIAL CUP**  
Army v. Royal Air Force at S. German on a week day to be fixed.

Christians v. Chinese on Club ground on Feb. 1.

Permit was given to Chinese Athletic and St. Joseph's to visit Macao during the week-end and play games there.

## NAPLES STRIKERS KIDNAPPED SHIPPING DIRECTOR

Naples, Jan. 12.

About 3,600 strikers occupied the shipyards of the Iva Company here kidnapping the Director, Signor Mario Petraro and kept him in his office all night, allowing him to leave the shipyard to go to the Prefect's office to discuss the settlement of the strike.

A strong force of police surrounded the shipyards today.—Reuter.

## "Dark Horses" In Women's Skating

Prague, Jan. 12.

Jirini Niklova of Czechoslovakia and Beryl Bailey of Britain are considered to be the "dark horses" in the women's event in the European Figure Skating Championships, beginning here tomorrow.

Both were only fourth in their respective national championships but have subsequently greatly improved.

There will probably be 20 starters, six of them from Britain. A notable absentee is the American, Gretchen Merrill, runner-up to the Canadian, Barbara Ann Scott, last year. She is evidently waiting for the Winter Olympic Games at St. Moritz to attempt her revenge.

Miss Scott, like most other competitors, has been rising early in the morning to take advantage of the ice at its best. Miss Scott is determined to collect the European, Olympic and world titles this year.

It may be the last chance she or any other non-European skater have of capturing European titles as plans are understood to be afoot to confine championships to Europeans in future.

At present they differ in no way from world championships. The outstanding British competitor, will probably be Jeannette Altwegg, British champion, who was born of Swiss parents in England. She finished fourth to Miss Scott last year and has greatly improved since, particularly in figures.

Hans Gerschwiller, Swiss holder of the world and European titles, will have formidable opposition in the men's event from the American, Richard Button, runner-up for the world title last year, and John Lettenmeyer, another American, who is a vastly improved skater.

Compulsory figures for men and women are being held in the morning and evening of Tuesday and Wednesday, with the men's event finishing on Wednesday night and the women's on Thursday night.—Reuter.

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